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PERRY OF EXETER

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He came from Williamstown to Exeter in August, 1914. A world war had just started and in those days world wars, being new, were even less well understood than they are now. In the hold of the Phillips Exeter Academy was a leak which had let in a debt of $250,000. Perry started the pumps and the old boat was freed by 1919, — old boat, for she had been launched in 1781, the year Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown.

In the beginning was a small boy in a small town. His father was a distinguished professor, Arthur Latham Perry, in an excellent college, and he was reared in that seemly village among the Berkshire Hills, where everybody knew everybody else, not omitting Bill Pratt the sawbuck philosopher, whose oratory was none the less astounding for the fact that Bill was slightly daft. The students still lugged in their own firewood and water, lamps were kerosene, vehicles horse-drawn, and life in that country town was no gilt-edged edition.

There is a well-authenticated legend in the Perry family that little Lewis's hair used to be cut by his elder brother Bliss in the time-honored manner, shears in one hand while with the other holding a bowl over his yellow locks. Whether Bliss did or did not whack him for failing to hold his head still is a subject of domestic dialectic. Out of a wide experience in comparative literatures, first as an instructor at Williams, next as professor at Princeton, then as editor of the *Atlantic Monthly*, and finally at Harvard, Professor Bliss Perry says this tale is commonly recited by little boys in all lands and ages alleging the brutality of their big brothers.

That tone of simplicity in their early lives neither of them ever discarded or outgrew. It is a main sinew of their strength. One saw it and recognized its origin when in 1931 the Harkness millions came to the Phillips Exeter Academy. Only so much of that money was spent for bricks and mortar as was needful to build walls and roofs around an idea. That idea, as worded by Dr. Perry, is: "A school is its teaching."

The new buildings, thirty-two of them, admirably designed dormitories and recitation halls in red brick Georgian, have a reticent beauty as they glow amid the enfolding greenery of their academic groves; but nothing is *too* fine. Exeter has still the simplicity of a country town, quite an old one to be sure, for it was started in 1638 by a college mate of Oliver Cromwell at Cambridge; a town architecturally choice too, along whose elm-canopied streets are white-walled houses which General Washington saw there in 1789. Plenty of preparatory schools were competitors for that endowment of more than $5,000,000. "Exeter got the money," said Dr. Perry, "because Mr. Harkness knew we wouldn't splurge with it."

Exeter got the money, but how? No one ever asked for it. Other funds had come in the usual ways, from graduates, from wealthy donors, not too plentifully, but enough to keep the school moving forward. Then in the 1920's, when showers of Olympian gold began raining into the laps of America's academic Danaë (do not press that allusion too far) and the Cochran millions came to Exeter's sister school, the Phillips Andover Academy, people began saying to Dr. Perry: —

"Why don't you ask your friend Ed Harkness?"

"Ask Ed Harkness for money? Never in the world!"

For the friendship was genuine. The pathos of a rich man is that he must so often ask himself whether he can be sure whether a friend is a real friend. Mr. Harkness *was* sure. As young men he and Lewis Perry had met at a wedding in St. Paul and come back by train together. Both were interested in the theatre and both in English literature, which Perry, having been graduated from Williams in 1898, was now teaching at Williams College. Even then, more than three decades ago, the repute of his winning personality had traveled far beyond Williamstown, and twenty years before I ever saw him in the flesh I kept hearing about him from young Princeton and Williams men who evidently swore by him.

Harkness and Perry used to go to plays together in

A graduate of Western Reserve Academy, Hudson, Ohio, and an essayist of distinction, Lucien Price wrote for the *Atlantic* one of his most memorable papers, "Hardscrabble Hellas." In it he stressed the simplicity and high purpose which were intrinsic in his old Academy — virtues he was to find again in a New England setting, the Exeter of Dr. Lewis Perry.

New York. "I knew he wasn't in the pauper class," said Dr. Perry years later, "but his income bracket didn't interest me. Finally someone said, 'I see you here at the Club quite frequently dining with Ed Harkness. You know, I suppose, that he is one of the richest men in America.' Well, no; I didn't. And the next time I went to New York I didn't call him up. He must have heard or surmised what had happened, for I had a letter from him, and this, among other things, is what it said: —

"'*Dear Lewis: Don't be a damned fool.*'"

The offer of the millions came from Mr. Harkness. Its form was a question: "What does American secondary school education most need?" The answer eventually was: "Smaller classes, more teachers, and closer individual instruction." But the answer was by no means so simple as this sounds, and it took more than two years to formulate. Even so, Exeter nearly lost the prize. The first plan submitted to Mr. Harkness was not satisfactory. They tried again and tried harder. In September, 1931, there was a succession of anxious days. Dr. Perry forbade himself either to expect or to hope. Finally the answer came. It was *yes*.

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This, the spectacular part, is told first, because a good story should begin, like the *Iliad*, *in medias res*. But this, the spectacular part, is not the story at all, and never would have happened but for the unspectacular part, which is what took place day by day from 1914 to, let us say, 1928. When we begin to study the creative process in the individual, we find that it is the prosaic part which is the most startling.

What then is this process? William James can give us the start of a definition: —

> *Let no youth have any anxiety about the upshot of his education, whatever the line of it may be. If he keep faithfully busy each hour of the working day, he may safely leave the final result to itself. He can with perfect certainty count on waking up some fine morning to find himself one of the competent ones of his generation, in whatever pursuit he may have singled out. Silently between all the details of his business, the power of judging in all that class of matter will have built itself up within him as a possession that will never pass away.*

The Principal's power of judging grew slowly, like an oak. And not without stormy weather. During world wars Dr. Perry's idea of what a schoolmaster should do is stay home and teach school. He has done this through two world wars, and it is one of the best things he does. In 1917 the boys of the Phillips Andover Academy went into uniform in their classrooms. Ex-President Theodore Roosevelt wrote Dr. Perry a letter pointing out that the Exeter boys were a little slow about getting into the war. Perry was a young fellow and new to his Principalship. The letter was a smoke-out. But Perry did not smoke out worth a cent.

Now it so happened that Mr. Alfred Stearns, then Principal of Andover, — the admirable, the idolized Al, — was, as he still is, one of Dr. Perry's best friends. Dr. Stearns stood up for Dr. Perry. His method of doing so was his own, and highly effective. When it was complained in his hearing, as in 1917–1918 it not infrequently was, that the Principal of Exeter was wanting in military ardor, he would drawl, "Oh, Perry is a kind of *Wilson* man." As Woodrow Wilson was then President of the United States, and an old friend of the Perrys, this did not put the Principal of Exeter in a very treasonable light.

But there is a sequel in August, 1941. Speaking at Deerfield Academy on the occasion of its annual Deerfield Dinner, that community feast lineally descended from Charles Eliot Norton's famous Ashfield Dinners of half a century ago, Dr. Perry said bluntly, "I think we should fight." Like large bodies, his thinking may move deliberately; but it does not stand still. During the second world war Exeter went on teaching school, the boys were kept at their lessons as normally as possible till their induction into the armed forces at the age of eighteen, and an extra session was run through the summer months to fulfill their required studies so that they might be ready for college when or if they came home from the war. Dozens of them wrote him from the various fronts: "I hope you won't change Exeter." That school and their homes were for them two solid rocks in a world deluged with war.

Early in Act I, enter also two other loyal friends of Dr. Perry, each of whom was to become chairman of the academy's trustees: the late Jeremiah Smith, Jr., and Mr. Thomas W. Lamont, — more affectionately known to the Principal as Tom and Jerry. All three were young men and believed that something notable might be made of the school. They personally steadied its Principal while his powers of judging matured.

How was that power getting on? More and more the school was being run by its faculty. The government was democratic, in form rather like a constitutional monarchy headed by a Prime Minister, but actually conducted on the principle of a New England town meeting. No one is the hero. Faculty committees do most of the work; the list of committees is staggering, but the work gets done. It gets done at the cost of a lot of talk, which is the price of democracy. On occasion the Principal will be voted down on an issue he wants to carry. After one of these defeats his remark was: "I had that comfortable assurance of being right which ought to have warned me that I was wrong." His faith is in the ultimate rightness of the democratic decision, that the collective judgment evolves from the group a wisdom which is better than any individual dictum. This creates an atmosphere in which wisdom can grow.

"In groups where debate is earnest, and especially on high questions, the company become aware that the thought rises to an equal level in all bosoms, that all have a spiritual property in what was said, as well as the sayer. They all become wiser than they were."

Did Dr. Perry find this faith in Emerson's essay on *The Oversoul?* More probably the schoolmaster and the philosopher both derived it from the same source. Perry's profound respect for the individual personality has permeated the school, until boys feel it as well as teachers. He has made men better teachers than they are. His perceptions are acute to identify and to elicit the specific talent. He picks a man to do a certain work, then lets him do it. If criticism is offered, it is with a pat on the back.

Some of the talents thus elicited have been at once whimsically unsuspected and brilliantly successful. Schoolmasters are metamorphosed, this one into a business executive, that one into an amateur architect, another into manager of movie shows — the list grows almost bizarre, and all the while the pot boils best unwatched, the beans are not pulled up by their roots to see if they are growing. If a man is good enough to teach at Exeter, he is good enough to be let alone. The result is a *floruit* of versatility, the full spread of potential talents on their way to being utilized, and a community of scholars doing their best work and enjoying it.

In the thirty-two years of his Principalship, this democratic process of management by the Faculty has advanced so far as to have a comical back-kick: Dr. Perry is sometimes criticized on his own campus for not doing enough of the work himself. Samuel Butler somewhere describes Zeus as sitting on a cloud above Mount Olympus and observing to his daughter Pallas Athene as they survey the doings of mortals, "My dear, I can see there is no pleasing these people. . . ." But that is not quite fair, for I know of few places where more people are pleased more of the time or with better reason than at the Phillips Exeter Academy. The tone is immensely wholesome; no flummery, no fuss, no feathers; but plenty of hard work being done, and done superlatively well. Intellectual austerity. Very New Englandish, but thawing genially on the side of aesthetic cultivation and the fine arts.

Toward the end of these fourteen formative years (1914–1928), the Cochran money came to Andover. Frank Cushwa, the late and deeply lamented, but then what for so long he was, one of the abounding springs of constructive ideas among the Exeter Faculty, albeit an emotional fellow and at times a prey to temperament, said to Dr. Perry: "We're beaten. Exeter can never catch up."

"Don't be too sure," said Dr. Perry, in that calm, deliberate tone of his, bland and sanguine, which 'Young Men in a Hurry' find so exasperating, "don't be too sure. Wait and see."

Then came the 150th anniversary of Andover (1928) and Perry was invited to speak. What could he say? That is a dangerous question to ask when Dr. Perry is going to make a speech. What he said was utterly disarming because so generous and so gracious, and it was heart-warming because it came from the heart. It came as a sudden turn of thought near the end of his formal address. What he said was that Exeter was little sister Cinderella, and that she was pleased to be asked to Andover's grand party. (Well, what can you do with a man like that?) Besides, all unbeknownst to anybody, there was a catch in that speech. It was the Cinderella story itself. For little sister's own coach-and-four was waiting just around the corner of the next three years. Perhaps that is what comes of staying by one's hearth and tending the fire. William James thinks so.

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Renaissance, Reformation, or Revolution, which one of the three R's was it that struck Exeter half way between the two wars? It is part of a larger intellectual upheaval which has struck our colleges since 1900. In the nineteenth century, led by Eliot of Harvard, we had copied the German university. Then our American universities began turning into colossal rolling mills and assembly lines, and something had to be done. In this twentieth century, under the Presidency of Lowell, we switched toward the English university system. If, during the next hundred years, we can evolve a type of university that is suitable to the American social system (provided we survive at all) we shall have done fairly well.

Meanwhile the inhuman academic assembly line needed to be broken up into smaller and human units. Woodrow Wilson tried it at Princeton only to be blocked by Dean West; Alexander Meiklejohn as President of Amherst took up the idea but was stopped; Mr. Lowell, aided by Edward Harkness, carried it through in the Harvard house plan, and others followed. Tutorial system, guided discussion as a method of teaching, the vitalization of thought by give-and-take between boy and man,— this is the method. Its progenitor is Socrates in the agora of Athens.

Could this method be carried on down into the secondary schools? That question was soon in the wind. It was scoffed at. Grim old schoolmasters snorted at the suggestion like regular army officers. "Schoolboys are to study their lessons and recite them back. No nonsense!" Then one of the oldest and best schools in America decided to experiment: Exeter invested most of the Harkness money in teaching. Thirty schoolmasters, the best obtainable, were added, raising the number of the Faculty to eighty-two. The new men were as remarkable in their teaching ability as the ones already there. How were they found? "Well," said Dr. Perry, "you don't take the first one on the counter." Time and

again, he has identified a talent from ten to fifteen years ahead of anybody else.

The number of boys in each class could now be lowered to twelve or ten. Next came an innovation which sounds trifling but proved momentous. The magisterial dais was abolished, bringing the master down to the floor level with his boys, all of them seated around a table, making the discussion method of teaching the natural one. And of a sudden, Exeter became a big, little school; seven hundred boys, but all under intimate personal instruction.

At the World's Fair in Chicago — the one in 1893 — was a mechanical contraption called a moving sidewalk. Actually it was three. You stepped aboard at a slow-going gait, but by stepping across from section to section you reached the inside plane which went racing along at quite a clip. Exeter's classes are arranged as moving sidewalks of aptitude: one for slower students, another for lads of average ability, a third for the brighter, perhaps brilliant, boys. If able, a boy may step from one to the next, and of course there is nothing to prevent the pedestrian from walking ahead on a moving sidewalk even when it is going full speed.

"More schoolmasters giving closer attention to fewer pupils, with guided discussion as the method of teaching," — a dozen years of this, and today the Phillips Exeter Academy is a vat of mature thought and adolescent eagerness in noble ferment. Is the school conservative, or is it progressive? No sooner does one describe it by the one word than he feels compelled to describe it by the other. It is both. The tough, wholesome, chewy, old classical curriculum still flourishes there; Latin is required and Greek is taught.

Side by side with this is hospitality to new subjects and new methods. Doors are open for boys to learn through their hands the techniques of drawing, painting, modeling, and musical instruments. The whole school sings. Athletics of course are going full blast in every season with everybody in them. The boys stage and perform plays from the professional repertory; their debating society is serious business conducted in a miniature house of legislature; and through the school moves a procession of eminence from the outside world, — lecturers, preachers, artists, musicians, authors, and on occasion soldiers and statesmen. Exeter practices Whitehead's precept: "Moral education is impossible apart from the habitual vision of greatness."

It is now possible to put the secondary evidence in its proper place. When Dr. Perry took the school in 1914, it had 572 students, 32 teachers, and 29 buildings: it now has 725 students, 82 teachers, and 62 buildings. Its endowment has been increased ninefold. Yet these external achievements were meaningless without the inner ones. The heathen thought they should be heard for their much speaking. Shall an institution of learning be heard for its much brick and bullion? Verily, we shall not be heard for our gilt-edged equipment, but by every word that proceedeth from man to boy and back again out of active intellects and aspiring hearts.

Your adolescent boy, except in streaks or by spurts, is not a precociously religious creature. At Exeter religion is more seen than heard. It is deemed more useful to start him as a responsible member of society, fortify him with good habits, and reënforce his common sense with self-respect. On Sundays the boys must go to church; and at the Academy church, if that is where they elect to go, the preaching is that of guests who are almost a directory of clerical eminence; the whole school is required to turn up daily at morning chapel for brief devotions and a talk, by the Principal or a member of the Faculty, earnestly prepared and effectively delivered — as it had better be, for the acoustics of that assembly hall are a notorious pain in the neck. For the rest, religion is something to be done rather than to be talked about.

As for discipline, the saying at Exeter is that there are no rules till you break them, and that the system is one of liberty tempered by expulsion; but the supervision is much closer than appears. Good manners are of course taken for granted and everybody is expected to speak to everybody else whether introduced or not. Fraternities have been abolished. A rich-boys' school Exeter never tried to be, never was, is not, and is on its way to be still less in such a category. One fourth of its students are wholly or in part on scholarship funds, and a procedure for broadening and deepening the selection of promising boys for such aid is being vigorously devised.

The creative process in an individual has a way of spreading. Dr. Perry's power of judging has become a savings bank account to be drawn upon at will by the heads of other secondary schools and presidents of colleges. (You all did see — or perhaps you didn't — that on the Lupercal he was offered the kingly crown of a college presidency, which he did then refuse.) When they find themselves in a quandary, Head Masters are privileged to reach for their telephones and say, "Toll operator, Exeter, New Hampshire, Dr. Lewis Perry, person to person call . . ." and more than one of the best of them has told me privately, "Not the least of his value to us is that no matter how trivial our troubles may seem even to ourselves when we look back at them, Lewis never appears to think them so, and that makes us feel free to consult him the next time." These were the words, to be explicit, of Mr. Frank Boyden, the self-reliant, the uniquely resourceful Head Master of Deerfield Academy, and Mr. Boyden proudly makes no bones about saying that at an extreme ebb-tide of Deerfield's financial fortunes, Lewis Perry was the intermediary who saved Deerfield Academy.

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Academic administrators are among the archito[illegible] of America's structural fabric. At their best t[illegible]

are the statesmen who govern statesmen. As our twentieth century gathered momentum a major sociological fact in American life was the trend from religion as a preponderating influence to education, from church to college, from parson to professor. "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." Religion had not saved us; perhaps education might. Money poured into the educational foundations, and the heads of them became administrators of more-than-million-dollar corporations. Your university president, your Head Master must, almost overnight, be no longer an innocuous superannuated clergyman but a man of affairs, and, if possible, also a man of thought. These two articles do not often come in the same package, but when they do they are in a key position of our social system.

By what process does a good school become a great school; a venerable New England academy, a type-founding national institution? It will have been the work of many men, and among these the man who has done most may be able to explain least. He will have mustered the totality of his forces over a long period of years, until what makes him the power he is is not this specific quality or that, but all of them. His power of judgment acts in the dark, subconsciously, as it were an instinct. His decisions come to him at odd moments, in queer places, and always several layers beneath conscious ratiocination.

These academic administrators, too, unlike some of their nineteenth-century industrial precursors, are expected to be gentlemen as well as scholars, dealing with highly civilized scholars and gentlemen. The position is charged with high explosive and the academic administrator protects himself, and others, in ways that vary according to personality. No more than does a doctor the patient in his consulting room does he deal with the whole man, for, like the doctor, did he feel every case as emotionally as the complainant, he would soon be dead. Instead he disengages just so much of himself as is necessary to meet the need, and no more. Some do this by austerity, some by the hard-boiled pose, some by a face of dead-pan, some by an air of patient boredom. Dr. Perry does it by a gentle friendliness, by unruffled good nature.

These educational administrators, central though they are to the development of our society, are also a half-way house on the road to something else. They conduct the orchestra; they do not play the instruments. And these educational institutions themselves, vital to our development — indeed to our very survival — though they are, are again a half-way house on the road to something else. They perform the piece: they do not compose the music. And, in the sense of genuine origination, it is not even certain that they train those who do. They do train the men and women who carry forward the major social services, the professions, some of the arts, and scientific techniques. They do transmit to the young the content of a civilization. But how directly have they to do with genuine power of origination?

It is notorious that evolution goes by jumps. The power of origination may appear most potently in persons quite outside the formal systems of schooling. Neither Abraham Lincoln nor Walt Whitman ever went through the academic mills at all. Education transmits thought, not the origination of thought. Therein the patient must minister to himself. When it comes to power of origination, the genes and hormones seem to have a way of managing that to suit themselves.

In the one art-form where our age has excelled all other ages, the art which during the past two, if not three, centuries has put forth the most amazing succession of men of genius, — the art of music, — virtually all of the most eminent among them, from before Bach until after Brahms, have been extra-curricular men, owing their instruction not to an institution, but to the best individual tuition they could find, plus study of the best that had been done before them, plus lifelong cultivation of their own powers. Not duly accredited graduates of an institution, they were chosen, as it were, by an apostolic laying on of hands. For such power passes only from great soul to great soul.

An educational system may be its loving nurse, and once in a great while, perhaps, by the grace of Pallas Athene, its midwife; but scarcely its progenitor. In any land or in any epoch your true originator may be hard to identify. He may slip into the world, labor a lifetime, and slip out again, his identity never discovered until long after he is gone; and yet a main function of any society is to develop power of origination. The transmission of a culture, the training of those who are to carry along its social services, these are imperative, but not by themselves sufficient. Like women, they keep the world going: but the spiritual power of origination is what keeps the world going ahead — if go ahead it does.

This caveat is entered lest we expect of these often superb institutions that which nature never equipped them to do. Much of Exeter's virtue, much of Dr. Perry's hidden power, is in just this, that they do not o'erstep the modesty of nature.

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Sixty-nine years old, Dr. Perry has decided to call it a day. This June he retires from his Principalship. His years accompany him like a troop of friends. Burly of figure, fair, florid, and with a face which is strong without pugnacity, this urbane gentleman moves and speaks with deliberation, never seeming hurried, flurried, or worried. He likes people and loves to have them around him.

His expansiveness in this kind has been known to backfire. It was at a term's end in the 1920's, none of the boys had been ill (epidemics are a Head Master's nightmare), and Dr. Perry was driving to Boston feeling fine. At Newburyport he took in three forlorn waiters-on-the-curbstone for a belated

motorbus, two men and a woman. One asked, to make conversation, "What business are you in?" and he, to further conversation, invited them to guess.

The first man said, "Traveling salesman."

The second was invited to try. "That fellow at the filling station called you 'doctor,'" said he, "but there's no green cross on your car. You must be a veterinarian."

He told the men that they were poor guessers, but perhaps the lady could improve on their score. She eyed him shrewdly and said: "Your car is big and good; you're alone, and you seem to know a good many people along the road. *I* think you're a bootlegger."

Dr. Perry decided that the guessing game had gone far enough. Yet the range and variety of the people he knows, not casually, but knows well, is fabulous, and they are spread far beyond the complacent paddocks of academia, clubdom, or social status. For both by nature and by cultivation he is many-sided. He loves music and knows a good deal about it; he is an indefatigable reader, more of modern books than of ancient ones; his liking for athletics is not acquired but came spontaneously when as a little boy in Williamstown he watched the big boys play their college games, and the day came when he was something in that line himself, especially at tennis, in which he had a national rating, and he kept up his athletics well into his middle years.

His domestic life is in this same key of informality and putting people at their ease. The Principal's House is big, comfortable, smoothly run, full of good books and possessions unobtrusively choice. At seasons it presents the aspect of a decorous but highly animated hotel lobby. The world swashes into it and swashes out. Everybody has a good time, including the Perrys. The boys have a good time, their parents have a good time, the alumni have a good time, and their neighbors the Exeter townspeople have a good time.

All this of course takes doing, and it cannot be done by the captain of the ship single-handed; much of it must be done by his first mate. She was a Williamstown girl, Margaret Hubbell, who grew up in that old family homestead painted Indian-red, "Brookside," under its centenarian Berkshire maple a mile and a half up the Green River road and across the little bridge. She did her share valiantly through the first half of Dr. Perry's Exeter voyage, then died, leaving a young son and a little daughter. In an alcove of the academy library she has a kind of shrine, but she has a better one in the hearts of everybody who knew her.

For a long time her place remained empty. But there were two Hubbell girls, and in 1935 her sister Juliette joined the ship as Mrs. Perry, and without her the last decade of the Principal's work would scarcely have been possible. Along with all the other gifts she brought to that position is one of the rarest, the great gift of kindly wit and infectious high spirits.

At Exeter the wicked world, for a moment, can seem very far away. That storied town beside the winding tidewater estuary of the Piscataqua lifts its walls of age-mellowed red brick and white clapboards under canopies of elm and maple.

Spires and cupolas one sees
Bosom'd high in tufted trees.

Spring comes there, a bride in verdure clad; summer is matronly abundance in a smiling countryside; autumn kindles its flame-hues for October's foliage festival in the golden sunshine of Indian Summer; and New England winter hews town, school, fields and woods in the statuesque white marble of snow sculpture. The procession of seasons is gracious and majestic. Once an hour the academy bell rocks in its iron cradle, and seven hundred boys troop this way and that, changing classes, a freshet of youth. At Exeter, for a moment, the world does not seem wicked at all. But never suppose that the Exeter Faculty do not know or are not exerting themselves to apply one of the most efficacious counter-agents to wickedness known to man. And at the heart of all this is a modest gentleman at whose heart in turn are two qualities which have been central to American life at its best during the whole of our three centuries on this continent. One is simplicity and the other is high purpose.

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BOSTON MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO

160 CONGRESS ST BOSTON MASS:

=NO MONEY NEEDED YET. SUGGEST WITHDRAWAL TWO WAR BONDS FOR RETURN TRUIP=

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THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

Guildhall, Vt.
July 1, 1946

J. K. Burton,
Belmont
Mass -

Dear Jay,

Harley wishes to know if you would like to have him cut the hay on your meadow this year -

If you already have some one to do it, it is all right with him. He just wanted to know so he could know how it was to be with this meadow.

They will begin haying this week, and the hands will be busy. Terribly hot up here for past week. All well -

Best regards to all
Lena Hall.

Humidity Remains High

While the temperature may go no higher today than 84 or 85, the Weather Bureau promises Bostonians another steam bath at no charge as humidity remained high.

By otmorrow the mercury may plummet to a comparatively chilly 79, with humidity dropping more or less comfortably. Showers are predicted by late this afternoon, though the morning's low clouds were expected to disappear before then.

Yesterday hte searing sun reluctantly ended its blistering six-day faromatric sorties, which reulted in 30 deaths in Boston and surounding territory. The highest reading Sunday was 84 at 3:30 p. m. Lower readings are expected by the official forecaster to be gradual.

Dripping thousands yesterday piled into any vehicle that would run and chugged to beaches and resorts all the way from Eastport to Block Island. Those who dreaded the thought of any exertion sat motionless in their homes, sipping at cooling concoctions.

Fairly brisk winds this morning brought citizens out from the path of electric fans, and the choral wringing out of soaked handkerchiefs sounded not unlike the surf washing up on a rocky beach.

Break in Heat Seen

Clouds that gathered before sunrise of yesterday increased in volume during the day so that much of the time the sky was hidden. An excess of humidity in the atmosphere gave new hope that rain might furnish relief from the sultry conditions prevailing since Summer began.

By noon the clouds, a combination of stratus and cumulus, looked threatening. But no shower came. There were a few pattering drops at 2:30 p. m.—"just a trace" for the record book. That was all. And so precipitation was left .13 inch short of reaching the June norm of 2.89, with vegetation wilting as a result of nine successive hot days. The clouds, late in the day, broke into towering mountain masses, topped by white billows.

Highest Boston temperature for the sultry day was 84 degrees. The average was above normal for June 30. Just one station in New England reported a shower. That was Presque Isle, in northern Maine. Some top temperature figures were: Millinocket, Me., 92; Houlton, Me., 88; Burlington, Vt., 82; New Haven, Conn., 78; Providence, 77.

Cooler air, moving in quite rapidly from the west and north, last evening, as shown by the weather map, led the forecaster to suggest somewhat cooler weather for today, with thunderstorms along the way. C.H.B.

July 1, 1946

Monday. July 1ST 1946

It stays hot. humid, sultry. and altogether hediendous weattier. The seersucker suit worn for a week is bedrabbled and creased but it is liget to wear. Ate at 7.40 - orange juice - corn flakes - Fried Eggs & Bacon - Roll - Butter - Iced Coffee - To the Square with Frances and David - The Subway and the office - The desk. piled deep with mail. Everett Lane is still on his vacation - Skinner came back from his and said that he would like to resign as of the first of next month - he got the green light. Worked until one o'clock. then to Rossoff's on Summer St. Fried deep sea scallops. Cole Slaw. French Fried Potatoes. Tartar Sauce. Rye Bread. Cheese Spread. Chocolate Ice Cream - Back to the

office. Secretary Darling came over with about 300 letters to be signed, and sent to Senators and Representatives. Later did To Ordinary applications — Stayed at the office until 5.30 then strolled up to Washington St. Went into the Hoffman for 45 minutes — then walked up to the Union Club on Park St. A small dinner party by the Mutual Life of New York for their new Boston Head — Waggoner — Sat with Dan Lyne and Harvey Bundy. Called upon for a few remarks — Ray Ely gave me a lift home — Into Bed at ten o'clock. Still a hot bedroom +

FREDERICK BANCROFT WILLIS
SPEAKER

SPEAKER'S ROOM
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

July 2, 1946

Dear Jay:

Thank you and Mr. McCrosky for having written me on behalf of the Greater Boston Development Committee, Incorporated. It was good of you to take the trouble to do so.

It was equally pleasant for me to receive your letter, as in these days we legislators are more often criticized than praised.

I was glad to do what I could to assist your worthwhile program.

Sincerely yours,

Fred.

Honorable Jay R. Benton
Chairman, Greater Boston Development Committee, Inc.
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July 2, 1946

Mr. Jay R. Benton
160 Congress Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Jay;

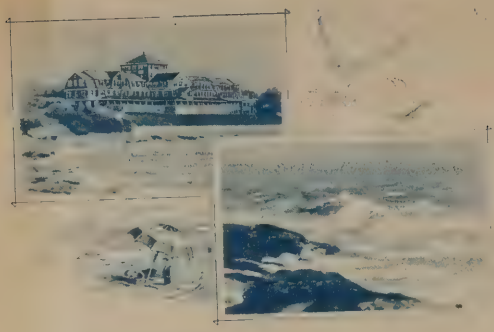
Thank you very much, indeed, for sending me the copy of your Christmas Annual. Being way down in the dumps last evening, I started in to read it, and it put me in such good humor, and interested me so much, that I could hardly break away to go to bed.

I hope you will put me on your mailing list if you continue to issue such wonderful editions.

Sincerely,

Ernst M. Parsons

EMP/ej



Sparhawk Hall
OGUNQUIT
MAINE

July 2/46

Dear Mr. Benton

This is a wonderful place for a vacation. While is gets real Hot in the Centre of the Town. there is always a good breeze at the Hotel and the nights are very cool nothing special to do except to eat, sleep, and go to the movies. Expect to see you soon as I have planned to attend the presentation of the Presidents Trophy to the Salem District, some time in July. With best regards to You and your Family

Sincerely yours

William H. Moody.

Tuesday, July 2, 1946

Raining very hard this morning. For breakfast - orange juice - wheat germ - scrambled eggs + Bacon - toast - Butter - Iced Coffee. The umbrella - the rubbers - in the car with Frances - to the Bank - to Eisenstein's to leave my seersucker suit to be pressed. Then to the Square - Working all morning - at 12.45 to the Knockers Club - fair attendance - a couple of guests - Charles M. Greenough, the state budget commissioner, and Kendall A. Sanderson - Had Fried Filet of Cod. Tartar Sauce - Lettuce + Tomato Salad. Roll. Butter - Iced Coffee. To Ives Johnson's Bought two 620 films and a couple of cartons of flash bulbs. To the office - Real Estate meeting. Did 23 ordinaries. Had a talk with Capt.

land by early today, to be followed by somewhat lower temperature.

The cloudbank in the southwest last evening hid the conjunction of the planet Venus and the new Moon.

July 2, 1946. C. H. B.

Comfortable Weather Seen On Way Here

A cold front, preceded by thunderstorms, moved into New England early today to break a 10-day heat wave that left a toll of 35 deaths from prostration and drowning.

The front was centered over western New York state last night and was causing widespread thunderstorms. These are expected to hit this section during the morning and pave the way for at least a few days of comfortable weather.

Although the first break in the heat wave came Sunday, when clouds caused by the long stretch of hot, humid weather formed an insulating blanket over the area, there was a brief return to the enervating conditions yesterday afternoon when the humidity rose to slightly more than 60 per cent., while the temperature was reaching a high of 82 degress.

June left behind it several records. The nine closing days of the month brought the temperature average up 1.1 degrees warmer than normal.

The actual records, however, were the .44 inches of rain in four minutes during the thunderstorm of June 8, an 82-mile wind recorded at the Blue Hill observatory in Milton during the same storm, and the 94-degree heat which set a record for June 26.

July 1, Windy, but Humid

Although there were strong southwest winds, increasing after noon to moderate gale velocity, the first day of July gave New England temperature above normal, even though the atmosphere held a high percentage of humidity. At Logan Airport, the average temperature was about five degrees above normal. The anemometer showed that the wind reached 30-mile velocity, with gusts up to 40.

The sky was overcast by stratus and cumulus clouds from dawn until nearly noon. As the wind increased, the clouds broke into huge fragmentary masses, some of which threatened rain, but none came.

By mid-afternoon, the broken clouds were driven rapidly toward the northeast at altitude of 5000 feet by a full gale of 50 miles an hour. At that altitude also, the pilot balloon speedily vanished in the distance.

An hour before sunset practically all of the cloud fragments had disappeared, but a dark blue layer was seen along the skyline at the southwest with darker scud fleeting above it.

A low pressure area was central over Buffalo last night. It was moving eastward and operating in conjunction with a cold front coming down from Canada. The combined influence was expected to produce showers and some thunderstorms in New Eng-

greig about his retirement and pension. Left at 9:30 in Frank Keayda's car - along with Leo Leary and Chester Snow - C.S. out at Randolf Square. A Stop at Griffin's — about 5.30 arrived my sister Dorothy from the West and Ted. She had not been back for a long, long time. (SIX years) came Mother too A Real Family Reunion — Stills and Movies Dot Hannah, Ted, and I perambulated the old Estate and what a time we had. Back to the house. A Buffet supper — Hors d'oeuvres. Hot Eastern Lobster Salmon - New potatoes with Olives. Egg Sauce - New Peas from Hitchings Cucumber - Tomato Salad. Milk - Peach Shortcake -



AFTER SIX YEARS,
DOROTHY COMES BACK TO BELMONT!



DOROTHY MOTHER

JULY 2, 1976

From R. S. Wilkins

THE KNOCKERS CLUB

MEMORANDUM

Parker House -	rental of room #168 January 1 to June 30, 1946 inclusive.	$125.00
Parker House -	Xmas Party, hors-d'oeuvres and beverages.	45.23
	Xmas group photos.	32.00
	Pictures framed	2.00
	Postage.	3.84
	TOTAL.	$208.70

Your pro rata share is. $6.32

Kindly forward check in enclosed envelope.

July 3, 1946

Dr. Dana H. Lee
Lancaster, N. H.

Dear Dana:

If you will let me know how many feet of movies you want taken at the Fair this fall, I will make arrangements to order it at Iver Johnson's. It costs about $8.50 a hundred feet and a reel holds 400 feet.

Best regards,

Jay R. Benton

JRB/dlc

NICHOLAS FLIES HOME FROM ATLANTA !!!

Wednesday, July 3, 1946

Nicholas flew up from Atlanta today, so as to be home on Peter's 21st Birthday. It was a busy morning about day for the family - David flew to New York with Ted. Foster to go to Sea Girt, New Jersey to join Jeanne and the Baby. John toured down to the Cape to spend the week-end with Mary and Jim. For breakfast had orange juice - corn flakes Fried Eggs & Bacon - Toast - Iced Coffee. So longs to Dot and Ted - Peter drove David and me to the Square - the Subway - the office - quick look at the mail - at 9.30 over to the State Street Trust Co. Safety Deposit vaults met Walter Bright and State Bank

Pleasant Today And on Holiday

A welcome restoration of dry, comfortable air into New England, replacing the sticky weather of the past week, took place gradually yesterday. This changeover was accompanied by active showers that broke up a 10-day stretch, during which there hadn't been measurable rainfall in Boston. Actually, it is the lower humidity and not any lower temperature during the daytime that makes us feel more comfortable.

The new air mass that originally was much cooler than the one we've been in for so many days was heated rapidly over the very warm land surfaces in Southern New England, causing the mercury after yesterday morning's shower to climb well into the eighties, with Boston's 85 actually the highest reading of the past three days. On the other hand, however, this new air mass cools rapidly at night, with the result that temperatures last night managed to fall anywhere from 10 to 15 degrees lower than they had been at anytime during the warm spell. This much pleasanter weather is due to stay with us through the holiday.

In general terms, the forecast for all New England follows: Pleasant and sunny with low humidity today and tomorrow. Cool, comfortable weather again tonight. Temperatures during the daytime will rise rapidly inland, but the sea breezes each day will limit temperatures at cool levels near the coast.

Much Needed Rain Comes

Thrice welcome was the rain that came to much of New England yesterday. Surely there was need of it. Heaviest downfall was reported from western Massachusetts, and roughly along a line extending from northwestern Connecticut, through Pittsfield, Lebanon, N. H., and Portland, Me., to Eastport. In that area there were thunderstorms. Hartford, Conn., reported .79 inch precipitation; Pittsfield, 1.66; Concord, N. H., .52, and Eastport, .60.

The sky had been overcast most of the night with the high winds ceasing about midnight. Rain began to fall in Boston at 6:30 a. m. It was very light at first, but between 10:30 and 11 there was a heavy and delightfully refreshing downfall without any electrical accompaniments. The total precipitation was .41 inch, or about the average for four early July days. It soaked into the parched earth as it fell in just the way to do the most good.

The cold front mentioned yesterday passed over Boston at about 11 o'clock and became stagnant along a line from Yarmouth, N. S., to Nantucket, thence to Norfolk, Va. Winds were very light and variable, coming in turn from northwest, northeast and east-southeast.

The rain had ceased before noon. Clouds disappeared rapidly with temperature rising and humidity percentage diminishing. For the day, temperature remained slightly above normal in Boston.

The calm of the sunset hour was in decided contrast to the gales prevailing through Monday.

For today the forecaster indicated fair weather with lower temperature resulting from a cold wave moving down from Canada.

July 3, 1946. C. H. B.

examiner re annual examination—
Waverley Cooperative Bank—
to Bigelow's on Bromfield St to
select a couple of birthday
cards for Peter. To the Necktie
Shop on Province St. Bought another
tie. Back to the office—Checks
came over from Don. Hill's office—
Out to lunch at 12.45 to the Country.
Club in the little Building.
Had Broiled Halibut—Green Peas—
stewed corn—French Fried—
Blueberry muffin—Cottage Cheese—
Iced Coffee—Orange Sherbert—
On the way Back—into Gray's—Bought
a record Album "St. Louis Woman"—
to Conway's on Summer St—Bought a Bottle
of Philadelphia + Back to the office—
did about 40 addresses. Left at
4.15 Chester Swan drove me home.
Great Excitement. Nicholas had
arrived from the Newark Airport—
He arrived at the house with
a Bang at 5.15—Happiness
Reigns—What fun—





Carew from Monkmeyer

Monument to Francis Scott Key at Frederick, Md.





PETER BENTON

TWENTY-ONE YEARS OLD

JULY 4, 1946

Thursday. July 4th 1946

This was Peter's Great Day. His Twenty First Birthday. Had my breakfast upstairs at 8.30 orange juice - wheat germ - Creamed Salmon on Toast - Iced Coffee. Downstairs at 10. Walked up to Sam's for papers and Cigarettes. Did a movie title and loaded cameras. Front Porch - came Louise and Pat. Sandwiches for lunch. At 2.30 down to Cambridge to see the Centennial Parade. Stood on Mass. Avenue across from Hampden Hall - Peter drove the car down and along with us went Nicholas, Bill Burke, Robert Waite, "Whizzer" White and Billy O'Shea. The parade was excellent, but the sun was hot. Back to the house at 5. Took Pictures. Then the Birthday Dinner. Baked Stuffed Lobsters French Fried Potatoes. New Peas - Home made

Clear, Cool, Delightful

A vista of emerald, outspread over field and forest, beneath a sapphire dome, where snowy fleeces floated slowly, featured yesterday, the 183d day of 1946—veritably the finest of all to date.

Though July claims the wonderful day, forerunner of the nation's great holiday, no better example could June produce. Last night was equally fine with a conjunction of Mars and the Moon, a sky feature.

The showers which drenched the terrain of New England Tuesday had revivified parching vegetation in a manner simply miraculous. Atmosphere had been purified and easterly winds cooled it to the extent that normal temperature prevailed through yesterday. The mercury was 70 degrees. Humidity was low all day. All nature seemed serene.

The weather map during the early part of the day showed one decided freak. It will be remembered that the cold front which passed Boston Tuesday, at about the time of the heaviest rain, became stagnated near Nantucket. That dormant condition continued there well into yesterday, and that island got 1.98 inches of rain.

Stations in all parts of the United States reported fine weather throughout the day. A high pressure front was moving slowly southeastward from Lake Superior, promising the finest kind of weather, at least for today, probably for tomorrow. C. H. B.

July 4, 1946.

More than 200,000 persons lined the two-mile route of the Cambridge Centennial parade yesterday for one of the most colorful reviews in local history. Headed by guest of honor, Gen. Courtney Hodges, commander of the famed First Army, the parade included 15,000 persons, [illegible] 34 bands and 76 floats.

Rolls - Champagne - Mixed Green Salad - Ice Cream - Chocolate, Vanilla + Strawberry - Birthday Cake !!!

The gang all started off at 7.30 to take Nicholas down to the Cafe - where he will spend tomorrow with Mary and Jim - A long ride down and just as long back - they came pounding in at 3.30 A.M.







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Huge Cambridge Parade

Kilted pipers marching through Harvard sq., Cambridge, in combined military and historical parade which highlighted the holiday observance of the Cambridge Centennial celebration. An estimated throng of 200,000 persons stood on the sides of the Cambridge streets as many historic floats and marching pageants moved along the parade route. Over 15,000 marchers participated.



GOVERNOR GREETS CAMBRIDGE CROWDS
Governor Tobin answering the cheers of the crowd by waving his hat in the big Cambridge centennial parade.

7/4/46



THE MILITARY TURNED OUT IN LARGE NUMBERS for the event which was also a welcome home to Cambridge for more than 14,000 veterans.



PANEL—Bands galore added to the gayety of the big show

July 5, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

Peter could not wait until August to see Guildhall again, so he is going up over the road today with a couple of Marine buddies, boys who live in the neighborhood. They intend to enjoy Maidstone Lake and may sleep in the cottage coming and going. Accordingly, I wish you could diplomatically police the cottage from time to time to make sure no cigarettes are left smoldering, etc., etc., especially soon after they leave to come back to Boston.

We had a good Fourth of July. Lena Hall wrote about Harley mowing the meadow, which will be fine. Think I will bring up my motion picture projector this year so you all can see the Guildhall movies of the past few summers.

Sincerely yours,

Jay P. Benton

JRB/dlc

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J July 5th., 1946.

Mr. Jay R. Benton,
C/o Boston Mutual Life Insurance Co.
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Benton:

I thank you for the expression of good will in your letter of July 1st. inst.
I seem to have plenty of health and strength to handle what business remains on our books. The type service we have given in the past does not seem to be required on any new business, because the liquidation of distress properties held by most folk is pretty nearly all worked out.

Until conditions with reference to values settle to a rather permanent basis there is not muchincentive to go after new loans, at least conventional loans.

I've never learned how to play, but with some time on my hands that I can use to learn, I suppose I shall do some of that and still have enough to occupy my time, with whatbusiness we still have.

My secretary is taking this week,for play time (vacation).

Sincerely,

J. A. Julien.

Inasmuch there does not seem to be any new business for us in our line

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

SENATE CHAMBER BOSTON

July 5, 1946.

Mr. Jay R. Benton,
80 Federal St.,
Boston, 10, Mass.

Dear Mr. Benton;

I wish to thank you for your letter of the first and if I am reelected I shall continue to vote for what I consider progressive measures.

We have the problem of keeping taxes at a level which will not interfer with industrial developement but and industrial concern with no equipment or outmoded equipment will never prosper.

I beleive my record will show that I take a broad viewpoint and not one which is strictly selfish. I do feel however that Boston must realise the importance of other parts of the State to Boston.

In the past Boston has often taken a rather selfish viewpoint in regard to matters of interest to other sections and this has resulted in time by perhaps unfair retaliation but Senators from the district on matters affecting Boston.

I hope I will be able to go along with you next session and I am also hoping that we can all work for conditions which will improve conditions throughout the entire Commonwealth.

Sincerely yours,

Edward C. Jarvis

Friday, July 5th 1946 X

Up at the regular time. Orange juice. Cream of Wheat. Fried Eggs & Bacon. Toast. Butter. Iced Coffee. Frances drove me to the Square. The Subway - the office - the mail - at it over to the First National Safety Deposit Vaults - took out and turned in for Collection - $15,000 Columbia Gas & Electric, $2000. Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates, $24,000. Southern Natural Gas, and $5000 Penn. Central Light & Power Co. Back to the office - out to lunch at 1.15 - to Pallais on Court Street. The service inexcusably slow - Fish Cakes & Baked Beans. Cole Slaw. Johnny Cake - Butter - Iced Coffee. To Felitino's Barber Shop in the National Shawmut Bank & a haircut and shampoo by George - also a shine - Back to the office at 3. Did 23 ordinaries & left at 4.15 to Belmont in Frank Clayda's car & Front Porch. A quiet evening -

Nature's Holiday Best

Almost identical with the salubrious weather conditions of Wednesday, those of yesterday all over New England left nothing for the most captious to criticize. The days was fine. The sky was clear. The breezes were gentle. Temperature was within a single degree of normal.

Boston got a few feeble whiffs of East wind, which did not permeat beyond the city limits. They did not reduce its temperature more than a single degree from what was general all over the six northeastern states. The maximum here was 83, inland the breezes came from the west.

There were a few more clouds in the high sky than on Wednesday. All of them were silvery white — beautiful as seen against the foil of the cerulean dome.

In the southeastern states there was some light rain yesterday, with thundershowers in Tennessee. Elsewhere practically all over the country was holiday weather of the finest brand.

The weather map last evening showed the low pressure front, which recently gave the island of Nantucket a 2-inch deluge, as having moved too far to sea to have any influence on conditions in this section.

The moderate cold front over the Great Lakes was being reinforced by another weak one coming in behind it from the north. Their combined influence is expected to dominate conditions in the upper states east of the Mississippi River, today and probably tomorrow, along the same lines as during the last two days.

July 5, 1946 C. H. B.

Mr. and Mrs. Abel Vickberg of 63 Berwick street are moving to Connecticut, having been residents of Belmont for over 30 years.

Frances & I alone. John and Nicholas down to the Cape with May & Jim. David at Sea Girt, New Jersey with Jeanne & Leslie, Peter went up to Guildhall today with "Whizzer" White and Robert Waite. Kathleen and Jane out - "Curly" at the Cabe too.
Beverages and then I perambulated the place to look at Louis' work today.
Frances prepared a de luxe dinner - Shrimp Cocktails Beach Fried Sea Scallops - Green Peas - Buttered Toast - Milk. Giant Blueberries and Cream - Upstairs at 7.15 +

Peter Benton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Benton, of Belmont, Mass., and two friends recently spent two days at the Benton cottage.

AUCTION: Saturday, July 6 at 1 p. m., in Guildhall Village. The William Walling house and barn, and some household furniture. Jerry Martin, auctioneer. (1t)

Ideal Weather For Weekend

Another day is starting off bright and pleasant. So far this month, there has been only a portion of a single day that has been anything but sunny with only a scattering of cloudiness. On that day, we had enough morning rainfall to meet the average requirements for the first four days of the month, and it is only today, without rain, that Boston begins to pile up a rainfall deficiency for July. Consequently, the first five days in July have come very close to normal conditions in just about every respect.

This ideal weather that vacationists dream about, but seldom get in such plentiful quantities, is expected to continue today and tomorrow. Meanwhile, a goodly portion of the rest of the country is almost equally fortunate, as shown by the lack of storms of any sort on the accompanying weather map.

At present, practically all of the cyclonic activities that produces occasionally stormy or unsettled weather, particularly in the northern United States, has been displaced far into the north and, into Canada, and in its place, is widespread settled weather, marred only very slightly by minor circulations that produce light scattered showers.

One of these is moving north of the Great Lakes. It is expected to move across New England, and produce scattered thundershowers in northern New England. Somewhat higher humidity by this afternoon will be replaced once again tomorrow by lower humidity along with a continuation of bright sunny skies and generally pleasant weather.

Saturday, July 6th 1946 X

The day started for me at 2.30 and read papers to 5.30. Dozed to 6.30 - The "Herald" at 7. Breakfast upstairs at 8.30. Orange juice - Cornflakes - Broiled Mackerel. Toast - Buttered Coffee - Up at 9.30 and testing to 10 - for 3 days. Put back office folders in the files in the West Eaves + a Shave and Shower - Frances drove me for a bit of shopping - to Griffins for "Philadelphia" mild cigarettes - to Bryans - Drugstore for "Benedicts" - to the School Street Pharmacy for the "Post" and "Globe" - Back to the house. The Front Porch + Chili Con Carne - Fresh Shrimp Salad. Philadelphia Cheese and Crackers - Milk. Good Raspberries and Cream - Rested for a couple of hours - Down at 4.30 Went for the papers. X Dinner in the Porch. Frances in her bathing suit - Jellied Chicken Consomme

W. G. Walling has purchased a farm in Bradford and moved his family there last week.

with Sherry. Broiled Swordfish - first of the season - $1.25 a Pound = $1.60 German Fried Potatoes. New Carrots and Food. Slice of Rolls - made by Kathleen with the new (O.P.A. OFF) Flour - Butter - Cucumber Salad. Milk. Watermelon Balls with half a lime - Upstairs to Bed at 8 o'clock. The Radio. Much Turning and Tossing - Another hot night.

News of the Week as Seen by Dugan



THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY 4178-A

RECEIPT

CA CAMBRIDGE MASS JULY 7TH 1946 19___
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THIRTY AND NO/100 Dollars in payment of:

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By LUTES.

Perfect Summer Weather Today

Perfect summery weather, with the mercury rising to the middle 80's and followed by somewhat cooler weather in the late afternoon, was promised to Greater Boston today.

No cloud in the perfect weather for the week-end was expected, as threatened showers were driven to the sea by gentle winds, assuring Boston and most of New England of pleasant, sunny weather and cooler temperatures by nightfall.

Sunday, July 7, 1946

Frances down for a snuggle - The Papers - Breakfast upstairs at 8.30 Orange Juice Corn Flakes - Poached Egg on Sage Link Cake - a stick of Bacon. Hot Roll. Buttered Coffee. At 9.30 started more testing for 12 days - almost through, when at 10.15 Nicholas telephoned from the Washington, D.C. Air Port to wire time $30.00 Hurriedly dressed, as did Frances, Tore up to Eaton's Drug Store - no money available there - rushed over to Mother's at 11 Oak Avenue. A posting of Resources $10 from Mother, $15. from Miss Kendall, $5. from Mrs. Dyer. Tore down to School Street. Rushed into a Bacon Taxi - tore down to the Western Union on Boylston St in Harvard Square Wired Nicholas the $30. To the Subway - Electric to Oakley Road. Home. Shaved. Walked over to the house at 11 Oak Avenue - Made out Checks to repay the Contributors - Visited with Mother. Back to the house at 12.45 +

Sunday dinner - Fresh Shrimp Cocktail on Lettuce Leaves - on Ritz Crackers - Chicken Fricassee - Boiled Rice - Cream Gravy - New String Beans - Bermuda Onions - Hearts of Lettuce French Dressing - Home Made Clover Leaf Rolls - Butter - Iced Coffee - Cultivated Blueberries - Nova Scotia - Upstairs all afternoon drafting speech for Mrs. Simpson's Party - At 5.45 Frances drove down to Cambridge to open up David's Apartment and put in food in their Larder - David Lamb and the Baby flew back from New York - had Morse's Taxi go out to the Airport to meet them. Frances returned at 7.30 - Peter got back from Guildhall at 7.45. I had a Snack supper Chicken Sandwich. Ran Errands and Quickly Completed the notes for the speech at 9 +



MORNING-NOON--AND NIGHT.

ICED COFFEE...

Monday, July 8, 1946

Up at the regular time Slept in David's room, much cooler there, to 5.30. Then back to my own room. Breakfast at 8.30 Orange juice - Cream of Wheat - Fried Eggs & Bacon - Toast - Butter - Iced Coffee — Monday morning suit case. Frances I to 71 Walker St. Cambridge to see our grandchild, Louise, who had been away at Sea Girt New Jersey for several weeks. Then to the Square Subway - Office Shifted a pair of G.I. Boots to Karl Hayes for Peter. Sent Papers to Nicholas and Jane Hayes — Did 25 adivanies. Out at 1.10 - to Iver Johnson's to leave Colored movie Film - to Loddens to leave Peter's Marine Papers and Nicholas's Exeter Diploma to be framed - to Woolworths for gadgets - to Commonwealth Pier to hear Governor Bradford's Speech - to Littlefield's Sea Grill on Summer St. Clam Chowder. Fried Sea Scallops - Tartar Sauce. Roll. Cottage Cheese - Iced Coffee. Orange

Fair Today, Tomorrow

The high pressure area over Northeastern Canada forced a mass of cool air with northeasterly winds to spread southward through New England yesterday. The cool air came to Northern Maine early enough to prevent the temperature from rising much above the 60's. In Southern New England, however, it came so late in the day that temperatures in the upper 80's and lower 90's were reported generally during the afternoon.

The air from the northeast became well settled in New England during the night with a promise of much more comfortable temperatures for today. The high pressure area is showing signs of becoming stalled over Eastern Canada and should therefore continue to keep the winds from a northeasterly direction.

The dominance of the high and the absence of any influential low pressure areas nearby will result in fair weather in all New England today, tonight and tomorrow. The nights will be cool. Temperatures will be kept at comfortable levels during the day, today and tomorrow, because of the flow from the cool Atlantic.

Sherbert - Back to the office — Over to the First National Bank Safety Deposit Vault to - to put in 200 / Summoned at the Southern - Back to the office - then a meeting of the Pi Eta Associates — 3 to 4.15 - left at 4.30 - to Belmont in Frank Hayden's car along with the Teary. Front Porch - a glass of iced Coffee + upstairs to rest. John returns from the Cafe + Dinner at 6.30 + Chicken Croquettes - French Fried Potatoes - Grilled Tomatoes - Lettuce and String Bean Salad - Rolls - Butter Milk + Cantaloupe Melon Balls — Peter drove me to Waverley Square - Attended the Directors' Meeting of the Waverley Cooperative Bank — Home on the electric cars and to Bed at 9.45 +

A meeting of the PI ETA ASSOCIATES will be held at Jay R. Benton's office, 160 Congress Street, Boston, on Monday, July 8th, at 3:00 p.m.

As decisions of the utmost consequence will be made, it is extremely important that every member attend the meeting.

Sherman L. Burr

WAVERLEY CO-OPERATIVE BANK

Belmont, Mass., June 26, 1946

Dear Sir:

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at the Bank on Monday evening,

July 8th.

at 8 p. m.

It is hoped that you will be able to be present.

Respectfully yours,

WALTER E. BORIGHT,

Treasurer.

WALTER I. BADGER (1885-1926)
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BOSTON

TELEPHONE
LAFAYETTE 3400

July 15, 1946.

Jay R. Benton, Esq.,
160 Congress Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Jay:

Enclosed find minutes of last meeting.

Sincerely,

Sturtevant Burr

SB-F

Enclosure.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PI ETA ASSOCIATES

July 8, 1946.

A special meeting was held this day at the offices of Jay R. Benton, 160 Congress Street, Boston, at 3:00 p.m. pursuant to notices duly mailed to all the Associates. The following were present:

Jay R. Benton
Arthur L. Coburn
Henry T. Dunker
William C. Chick
William B. Plumer
Richard D. Gerould
Henry W. Russell
Sturtevant Burr

It was stated that the purpose of the meeting was to consider further the possibility of placing a mortgage on the club building in order to repair or remodel the building. After considerable discussion it was the sense of the meeting that the president talked with the undergraduate officers regarding how much money they felt would be necessary to obtain as income in order to put the club on a business-like paying basis and then to discuss with them whether or not they think they could obtain sufficient members who would pay enough dues to obtain the necessary income.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Treasurer was authorized to pay $363.67 from the building fund to C. Clark Macomber for repairs made to the club building.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was
VOTED: To Adjourn.

Adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

A true record.

Attest:

Sturtevant Burr

Waverley Cooperative Bank

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Directors' meeting July 8, 1940

Call meeting to order at 8 P.M.

Roll call: Present: Harris, Hastie, Lowery, Taylor, Lewis, Alexander, Lawrence, Brown, Lorum, Hoyt, Bowditch, Whitcomb, Cecelia, Shirley, Rose Smith.

Reading of the last meeting read by Sec. _____

Treasurer's report

Assets and Liabilities
Securities and Disbursements
Loan Activity
Profit and Loss Statement
Arrears

Applications for real estate loans

Miscellaneous Notes

Miscellaneous Items

Adjourned at 9.15 P.M.

Waverley Co-operative Bank



At Waverley Square
Belmont - Massachusetts

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT
JUNE 10, 1946

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

June 10, 1946

Assets

Real Estate Loans	$2,932,117.58
Share Loans	9,645.00
Bank Building	19,532.33
Real Estate Owned	400.00
Share Insurance Fund	27,732.91
Investments (U. S. Bonds)	509,500.00
Cash and Due from Banks	222,056.26
Other Assets	7,478.85
Total	$3,728,462.93

Liabilities

Dues and Profits	$1,034,753.61
Certificates	2,348,800.00
Dividend Savings Account	13,800.25
Share Savings Account	615.02
Military Share Account	1,583.60
Dividend Due July 8th	14,576.27
Notes Payable	50,000.00
Other Liabilities	7,887.95
Current Reserves	79,707.51
Guaranty, Surplus, and Reserves	176,738.72
Total	$3,728,462.93

VALUE OF ONE SHARE IN EACH SERIES

July 8, 1946

Does Not Include July Dues

Series	Date of Issue		Dues	New Profits	Total Profits	Full Value
102	April	1933	$159	$1.23	$39.43	$198.43
103	July	1933	156	1.20	37.74	193.74
104	Oct.	1933	153	1.17	36.07	189.07
105	Jan.	1934	150	1.14	34.43	184.43
106	April	1934	147	1.11	32.90	179.90
107	July	1934	144	1.08	31.39	175.39
108	Oct.	1934	141	1.06	29.94	170.94
109	Jan.	1935	138	1.03	28.48	166.48
110	April	1935	135	1.00	27.08	162.08
111	July	1935	132	.97	25.74	157.74
112	Oct.	1935	129	.95	24.44	153.44
113	Jan.	1936	126	.92	23.19	149.19
114	April	1936	123	.89	21.97	144.97
115	July	1936	120	.87	20.79	140.79
116	Oct.	1936	117	.84	19.66	136.66
117	Jan.	1937	114	.82	18.56	132.56
118	April	1937	111	.79	17.49	128.49
119	July	1937	108	.77	16.46	124.46
120	Oct.	1937	105	.74	15.46	120.46
121	Jan.	1938	102	.72	14.49	116.49
122	April	1938	99	.69	13.56	112.56
123	July	1938	96	.67	12.68	108.68
124	Oct.	1938	93	.64	11.81	104.81
125	Jan.	1939	90	.62	10.99	100.99
126	April	1939	87	.60	10.20	97.20
127	July	1939	84	.57	9.42	93.42
128	Oct.	1939	81	.55	8.70	89.70
129	Jan.	1940	78	.53	8.01	86.01
130	April	1940	75	.51	7.33	82.33
131	July	1940	72	.48	6.71	78.71
132	Oct.	1940	69	.46	6.10	75.10
133	Jan.	1941	66	.44	5.53	71.53
134	April	1941	63	.42	4.98	67.98
135	July	1941	60	.39	4.47	64.47
136	Oct.	1941	57	.37	4.00	61.00
137	Jan.	1942	54	.35	3.56	57.56
138	April	1942	51	.33	3.16	54.16
139	July	1942	48	.31	2.76	50.76
140	Oct.	1942	45	.29	2.41	47.41
141	Jan.	1943	42	.27	2.09	44.09
142	April	1943	39	.25	1.79	40.79
143	July	1943	36	.23	1.53	37.53
144	Oct.	1943	33	.21	1.27	34.27
145	Jan.	1944	30	.19	1.04	31.04
146	April	1944	27	.17	.84	27.94
147	July	1944	24	.15	.66	24.66
148	Oct.	1944	21	.13	.50	21.50
149	Jan.	1945	18	.11	.36	18.36
150	April	1945	15	.09	.25	15.25
151	July	1945	12	.07	.16	12.16
152	Oct.	1945	9	.05	.09	9.09
153	Jan.	1946	6	.03	.04	6.04
154	April	1946	3	.01	.01	3.01

OFFICERS 1946

JAMES R. LOGAN .....
JAY R. BENTON ..... *Vice*
WALTER E. BORIGHT ..... *Treasu*

DIRECTORS

Walter F. Beetle	Charles F. M
Irving F. Munroe	William H. S
Amos L. Taylor	Walter E. Bo
James R. Logan	H. Thaxter U
Samuel Alcock	Gen. William
Jay R. Benton	Edwin A. Ch
Dr. Ransom A. Greene	Dr. W. Frankl

Giles M. Smith

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9 A. M. to 3 P. M.
Saturdays 9 A. M. to 12 noo
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Tel. Belmont 2800

Payments may be made at

STATE STREET TRUST C
53 State Street, Boston

BELMONT CITIZEN OFFI
72 Trapelo Road, Belmont

Assets	Condition		Dec. 1948	Increase	Decrease	%
Real Estate Loans:	70%					
Co-operative Form		3	381,205.00		52,720.00	13.0
Direct Reduction		2,1	2,099,493.78	60,384.57		2.8
G.I. Loans		3	237,507.45	137,613.91		57.9
Common Form			54,653.30		787.79	1.4
Mortgages Converted			10,450.00			
[illegible] Term Suspended			3,350.00			
Principal Payts. Temp. Suspended			4,079.17		4,079.17	100.
Home Modernization Loans			457.81	504.55		110.2
			2,791,201.51	140,318.07		5.
Loans on shares:						
Serial shares			10,550.00		4,395.00	41.6
Matured share certs.			630.00		10.00	1.6
Paid-up share certs.			1,940.00	930.00		47.9
			13,120.00		3,475.00	26.4
Real Estate by Foreclosure			616.54		216.54	35.1
Bank Building			10,712.33		180.00	1.7
Furniture & Fixtures			381.32		75.00	19.6
Share Insurance Fund			25,809.85	2,123.06		8.2
Federal Home Loan Bank Stock			24,500.00			
Due from Co-operative Central Bank			42,003.02			
Bonds and Notes	13%		435,000.00			
Cash and due from trust companies			184,147.59		4,094.35	2.2
Natl. Banks Called Home Loan	4.8%					
Other Assets:						
Prepaid Insurance			661.64	91.25		12.7
Accrued Int. on Bonds			3,795.64	2,618.70		68.9
Blue Cross				5.30		100.
Total Assets						

Liabilities	Statement of condition			Increase	%
Capital:					
Common Capital		940,102.00		27,875.	.029
Profits		131,216.62		8,770.01	6.6
Matured share certificates	1,130	1,130,200.00	40,200.00		3.5
Paid-up share certificates	2,110	1,050,000.00	117,000.00		11.1
Share Savings Accts.			010.02		100.
Dividend savings Accts.		12,000.00	1,410.00		11.4
Military Share accounts		3,673.78	3.82		.6
Personal accounts		478.00			
	5,240	3,267,104.34	163,180.30	35.81	5.
					5.7
Reserves: 4.7					
Guaranty Fund	47	46,363.72	1,541.72		3.3
Surplus	121	120,540.45	6,308.36		5.2
	1	3,238.21		1,297.74	39.8
	169	170,186.38	6,582.34		3.8
Notes Payable	2	75,000.00		25,000.00	33.3
Dividends declares: Matured		7,120.86	162.25		2.2
" " Paid-up		6,807.60	731.24		10.0
Reserve for taxes:					
Bank Building		300.00	150.00		50.
F.H.A. Mortgages		10,301.42	1,773.43		20.7
Conventional Mortgages		866.18	214.18		30.6
		20,394.84	20,247.27		99.2
Other Liabilities:					
Unearned discount		47.95	6.22		12.9
Intangible loans		5,993.01	2,434.40		62.2
War Bonds		356.25	281.25		78.9
Retirement Fund			6.53		100.
Withholding tax		40.70	1.10		2.7
O.A. B.		27.79	.76		2.7
Blue Cross		9.20		9.20	100.
Total Liabilities	3,7	3,530,749.44	137,713.49		3.8

	156,412.55
	23,240.00
	63,367.57
ovement Loans	1,227.35
on for Mortgages	139.59
	553.92
	610.00
	.00
	70.00
	.00
	975.00
s Payable	
missions Paid	
	20.00
	150.00
	955.00
	2,000.00
	33,800.00
	50.00
	.00
	1.90
	554.78
	76.36
	1,276.04
Contrib.	10.97
Retirement Fund Contrib.	5.55
Tax	93.30
	16.10
	12,408.70
	78.39
	55.00
	1.30
	73.70
	347,720.20
	347,720.20

30,731.31	
204.7	
270.00	
	237.00
	35,365.13
6,555.71	6,560.41
7,298.53	7,126.25
	6,567.50
35.14	76.45
	9.75
1.27	
6,330.20	6,830.93
266.54	94.19
18.95	36.38
602.70	
133.75	122.00
130.00	130.00
100.00	130.00
875.00	237.00
64.72	
1,541.78	
6,3[illegible]1.30	
37,[illegible]0.41	

Officers	355.12	
Others	462.53	
Security Committee	33.00	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
		1,0[illegible]
	150.00	
Branch Office	25.00	
Advertising	153.01	
Printing & Stationery	32.75	
Postage	106.75	
Service & Information	31.00	
Telephone	56.05	
Officers Expense	2.50	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Security Committee Expense	7.50	
Verification	12.05	
Miscellaneous	1.10	86[illegible]
		1,0[illegible]
Building Expense		
Janitor	45.00	
Heat	23.33	
Taxes, Water, Light	60.31	
Cleaning & Supplies	15.00	
Repairs & Service	11.55	1[illegible]
		1,[illegible]
Furniture & Fixtures		
Machine	[illegible]	

Name	Balance
Gladys A. Paplee	1[illegible]
Off Levis Ld., Bedford	

Monthly Report on Real Estate Loan Activity
Month Ending July 8, 1946.

	3 Maplewood St. Watertown		
. Wiesner Wiesner	25 Bellevue Rd. Belmont		
oom Mazarian azarian	22 Banks St. Belmont		
	11 Oak Ave. Belmont	No sale Additional loan	
Rudenko	44-46 Margaret St. Arlington	G.I.	
	Lear 871 Highland [illegible] edford	No sale	
	104 Palfrey St. Watertown		
Choquette	323 California St. Newton, G.I.		
	117 Beech St. Belmont	No sale	
	61 Shirley Rd. Waltham		
colano	40-42 Grant Ave. Belmont		
urchase urchase	23 Jeanette Ave. Belmont		
Drosz	6-6A. Hilltop Rd. Watertown	No sale	
O. Donald	618 Pleasant St. Belmont	No sale	
	81 Old Middlesex Rd. Belmont		
artens	45-47 Waverley St. Belmont G.I.		
	213 Beech St. Belmont		

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Vote reduction of interest to following accounts

#194- Ernest R. Steele 4%
668- Alphonse P. Spizio 4%
#185- Roland E. Lanel 4%

Vote: Benefits of Section 35A to..

Mortgage Improvement Loans

Interest Rate of Feb. 11, 1930. ... to read ... 20 years at 4% Voted sixteen years.

Guildhall, Vt.
July 5, '10

Dear Ray,

Neal Beattie is treasurer of the Lawyers fund for library so you can send to him for back money.

Tom Hodge and I were appointed trustees at the last town meeting, but do not have any time to do with having bills, etc.

So glad to see Vita. Hope he can come back for Sabbath mornings and visit you all. Love.

Father is finishing haying to-day. I discovered Tom Nat.

Tuesday
JULY 9, 1946

Dear Mom and Dad,

Arrived safe and sound, and in good time, thanks to the plane ride from Washington. Thanks for the wonderful time I had at home. I can't think of when I've had a better weekend at home. It's the little things like getting a look at the roses just fading, one of Kathleen's special cup-cakes with chocolate sause, listening to a new album of records, a hot tub, a good bed with clean sheets, and so it goes.

I had a fine time on the Cape. Alot of good whooppee. They have a swell place, and an excellent beach. I got a royal send-off at Sandwich with all the gals(Marv, Mavn, Thelma, and Nan) screaming and waving hankerchiefs.

Rumors are running around here like mad about discharge. It seems that I can apply and will be released before Sept 30th. As to the date, I don't know.

When I got back I received all the back papers you sent. Thanks alot. Have just finished reading the Exonians and the New York theatre sections.

Enclosed please find a letter I received from our fair Congresswoman in reply to my letter. She's going to send me more information as to when I'm eligible.

That's about all the news for now...

Love,

Nick

EDITH NOURSE ROGERS
5TH DIST. MASSACHUSETTS

COMMITTEES:
FOREIGN AFFAIRS
WORLD WAR VETERANS' LEGISLATION

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

July 2, 1946.

Mr. Nicholas Benton,
Company B, 9th Battalion,
2nd Training Regiment, IRTC,
Fort McClellan, Alabama

My dear Mr. Benton:

I shall be very glad to ask the War Department to send you the information requested in your kind letter of June 27th which has just been received. Please let me know if it does not reach you very soon and if I can be of further service in any way.

Assuring you of my interest and with all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Edith Nourse Rogers

(Mrs. John Jacob Rogers)

Tuesday, July 9, 1946

Up at the regular time and down for breakfast at 8.30 - Orange juice - Wheat Germ - Dropped Egg on Fish Cake. Toast - Iced Coffee. To the Square with Frances - Working at the office all morning. At noon to the Parker House - to the Testimonial Luncheon for Mrs. Simpson. It turned out to be a huge success with 125 there. Back to the office at 2.20 - Worked to 4.30 to Belmont in Frank Klayda's car with Leo Leary - Rested - Down to Hannah's at 6.45 - A Party for Dorothy - Buffet supper in her yard - Cold turkey, bread and Good. On hand were Dottie - Frances - John, David & Jeanne, Peter, Pat & Louise Josiah & Eleanor, Dorothy - Jose - Back Home at 9.30 and to Bed -

Fair Tonight, Tomorrow

Brisk easterly winds yesterday caused by the high centered in the Gulf of Maine, resulted in an appreciable change from Sunday's temperatures in southeastern New England. The highest temperature in Boston was 68, 23 degrees lower than the 91 which occurred Sunday. The cooling effect of the easterly winds diminished westward. In fact the warmest place in New England yesterday was at Westfield, which reported a high of 84 degrees.

The low pressure area centered north of New York is traveling eastward, carrying with it an area of scattered showers and thunderstorms extending south from the center. The passage of the low through northern New England today will result in partly cloudy skies with scattered showers and thunder showers over Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, western Massachusetts and the interior of Connecticut during the day. It will be a little warmer today because of the shift in the general blow of air from northerly to southerly.

Fair weather tonight and tomorrow will follow the movement of the low out of New England.

Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company

HOME OFFICE
160 CONGRESS STREET
BOSTON, MASS.

July 1, 1946

To the Board of Directors:

As you were informed at the last Directors' Meeting, Mrs. Theresa Simpson, Manager of the Policy Department, has completed 40 years of faithful and capable service to the Boston Mutual. In recognition of the event, the Directors voted to present her $200.

Meanwhile, the committee of home office employees have arranged to tender her a surprise luncheon in the Hawthorne Room at the Parker House on Tuesday, July 9th, at twelve noon. The response to the notices has been surprisingly enthusiastic. Already 60 of the home office employees have indicated that they are going to attend and 14 superintendents have also written in that they are going to be present.

I know that the committee in charge would be very happy to have those Directors, who would like to attend the luncheon, to come. The price is $2.00 a ticket and if you are interested, you may send your check to John W. Paige at the Home Office.

Yours very truly,

Jay R. Benton

President

JRB/dlc

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Department Heads

FROM: John W. Paige

SUBJECT: Testimonial Luncheon--Mrs. Simpson

On July 2, 1946, Mrs. Theresa Simpson, Manager of the Policy Department, will complete forty years of service as a loyal employee of the Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company. This is the longest record of service in the Home Office of any of our present employees.

Because of the respect and admiration all of us have for Mrs. Simpson's devotion to her position, the Directors of our Company feel it is only right that we should give proper recognition to her unusual record. A committee from her department has been appointed to make the necessary arrangements, consisting of Ann Igoe, Chairman, Catherine Ryan and Julia Driscoll, with Anna Spencer in charge of the liaison details between the committee and various departments.

A testimonial luncheon has been planned for Mrs. Simpson, to be held in the "Old Boston Room" of the Parker House at 12:00 noon on July 9, the first day she will return from her vacation. Naturally, we want the luncheon to be a <u>complete surprise</u> to Mrs. Simpson.

Everyone in the Home Office is cordially invited to attend this surprise party. The cost of the luncheon for any of our employees will be $1.00. This will be a little less than one half the actual cost and the Company will absorb the difference.

Since we are anxious to determine as soon as possible the approximate number who might attend the luncheon, we shall appreciate it if you will report to Ann Igoe on Friday, June 28th as to those who are planning to attend from your department and give her the money at the same time if possible.

Further details will be announced to you later.

JWP:SY

Executive Assistant

STATE STREET TRUST COMPANY

BOSTON MASSACHUSETTS

JOHN W. MARNO
VICE PRESIDENT

July 2, 1946

Jay R. Benton, Esq., President
Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company
160 Congress Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Jay:

Thank you very much for thinking of me in connection with the surprise luncheon for Mrs. Simpson.

Sorry that I cannot be there but I am leaving tomorrow for Chatham to be away until the 15th. ~~but~~ I hope the party is a great success.

Sincerely,

John

JWM:HJW

HOOD RUBBER COMPANY
A DIVISION OF THE B. F. GOODRICH COMPANY
WATERTOWN 72, MASSACHUSETTS

July 3, 1946

Mr. Jay R. Benton, President
Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company
160 Congress Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Jay:

I want to thank you for your invitation to attend Mrs. Simpson's surprise luncheon at the Parker House on Tuesday, July 9th. My calendar tells me that is the day the Greater Boston Development Committee is entertaining the Port Authority. I shall plan, therefore, to take the time to congratulate Mrs. Simpson before attending the Development Committee meeting.

Very truly yours,

Alden C. Pratt

ACP/mjm
Encl

TESTIMONIAL LUNCHEON

TENDERED BY THE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS

AND HOME OFFICE EMPLOYEES OF THE

BOSTON MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

TO

MRS. THERESA SIMPSON

MANAGER, POLICY DEPARTMENT

IN RECOGNITION OF HER FORTY YEARS OF

SERVICE AS A LOYAL AND RESPECTED EMPLOYEE

HAWTHORNE ROOM - PARKER HOUSE

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

TUESDAY, JULY NINTH NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-SIX

POLICY DEPARTMENT

Theresa Simpson, Manager

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Lena Mignosa
Geraldine Murphy
Catherine Ryan
Catherine Shanahan
Jennie Spinale
Virginia Tseko
Lillian Vasil

Bernice Zola

COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

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Catherine Ryan
Julia Driscoll
Anna Spencer



Fruit Cocktail

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Creamed Chicken a la King en Pattie Shell

Green Peas Chef's Salad

Luncheon Rolls

* * *

Ice Cream Sherbet

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Coffee

★ ★

Grow old along with me!
The best is yet to be,
The last of life, for which the first was made:
Our times are in his hand
Who saith, "A whole I planned,
Youth shows but half; trust God:
See all, nor be afraid!"

— ROBERT BROWNING

★ ★

They say there's bread and work for all,
And the sun shines always there;
But I'll not forget old Ireland,
Were it fifty times as fair.

— SHERIDAN

★ ★

It is better to be faithful than famous.

—THEODORE ROOSEVELT

★ ★

REMARKS AT MRS. SIMPSON'S LUNCHEON

PARKER HOUSE, TUESDAY, JULY 9, 1946

OPENING SALUTATIONS:

"IN THE COURSE OF MY REMARKS, I AM LIKELY TO USE SOME LONG AND PECULIAR WORDS AND I WANT TO BE SURE THAT OUR GUEST OF HONOR UNDERSTANDS ALL THAT IS BEING SAID, SO I PRESENT HER WITH THIS DICTIONARY SO THAT SHE CAN LOOK THEM UP AS WE GO ALONG.

AMONG THE AFFLICATIONS OF THE MIND, THERE IS NOT ONE MORE PERNICIOUS THAN THE LOVE OF FLATTERY. NO ONE HAS EXPRESSED THIS AS WELL AS THAT GREAT ROMAN POET AND SATIRIST, PERSIUS, WAY BACK IN 50 A.D., WITH WHOSE WRITINGS MANY OF YOU HERE THIS AFTERNOON ARE SO FAMILIAR. HOW WELL HE PUT IT, AND I QUOTE, "NEQUICQUAM POPULO BIBULAS DONAVERIS AURES: RESPUE QUOD NON ES _____". FOR THOSE WHO ARE NOT GRADUATES OF THE BOSTON LATIN SCHOOL, I GIVE ITS TRANSLATI "NO MORE TO FLATTERING CROWDS THINE EAR INCLINE; EAGER TO DRINK THE PRAISE WHICH IS THINE."

THIS IS AN EXTRA-ORDINARY OCCASION BECAUSE IT IS AN HISTORICAL FACT THAT 14,607 DAYS AGO, OR STRANGER STILL, 175,200 HOURS AGO, OR STRANGEST OF ALL, 10,572,000 MINUTES AGO, MRS. SIMPSON STARTED TO WORK FOR THE BOSTON MUTUAL.

JULY 1906, WAS, AS ALL HISTORIANS WELL KNOW, A MOMENTOUS MONTH, FOR IT WAS ON JULY 1, 1906 THAT THERE WAS A TERRIBLE RAILROAD WRECK AT SALISBURY, ENGLAND IN WHICH 23 AMERICAN PASSENGERS WERE KILLED, AND ON THE VERY NEXT DAY, CAPITAL PUNISHMENT WAS ABOLISHED IN RUSSIA, AND ON JULY 8th, HOSTILITIES BROKE OUT BETWEEN SALVADOR AND GUATAMALO AND FOUR DAYS LATER ON JULY 12th, CAPTAIN DREYFUS WAS VINDICATED, AND ON JULY 31st, RUSSIAN TROOPS MUTINIED IN FINLAND. SO FAR AS OUR OWN COMPANY IS CONCERNED, IT WAS ON JULY 3rd THAT IRENE KEMPER WAVED THIS RATTLE IN THE AIR FOR THE FIRST TIME AND ON JULY 4th, ISABEL SULLIVAN WON THE BABY CONTEST AND WAS NAMED "LITTLE MISS COLUMBIA" AT

THE FIREMEN'S MUSTER ON BOSTON COMMON, BUT THE MOST HISTORICAL OF ALL THESE OUTSTANDING EVENTS HAPPENED ON JULY 2, 1906 WHEN MRS. SIMPSON STARTED TO WORK FOR THE BOSTON MUTUAL.

A LOT OF THINGS CAN HAPPEN IN 40 YEARS AND THEY CERTAINLY HAVE SO FAR AS OUR COMPANY IS CONCERNED AND, AS MRS. SIMPSON DESERVES A FAIR SHARE OF THE CREDIT FOR ALL THAT HAS HAPPENED, JUST FOR THE RECORD, LET ME POINT OUT THAT IN 1906 OUR TOTAL ADMITTED ASSETS WERE $528,000 WHILE TODAY THEY ARE OVER $26,000,000. FORTY YEARS AGO THE SURPLUS WAS $39.506, TODAY IT IS $1,895,000. THE INCOME BACK IN THOSE DAYS TOTALED $413,000 WHILE TODAY IT IS $6,627,000. IN 1906 WE PAID DEATH CLAIMS OF $104,000. LAST YEAR WE PAID A TOTAL OF $848,729 IN DEATH CLAIMS. IN 1906, IN CASH DIVIDENDS, WE PAID THE ENORMOUS SUM OF $940. LAST YEAR THE SUM WAS $247,242. BACK THEN WE HAD 37,000 POLICYHOLDERS, NOW WE HAVE NEARLY UP TO 400,000. OUR INSURANCE IN FORCE THEN WAS $11,000,000, TODAY IT IS $144,000,000. THE COMPANY'S PAYROLL THEN FOR A YEAR WAS $146,929. LAST YEAR IT WAS $1,532,520!

IT IS WITH HESITATION, A DEEP HUMILITY, AND WITH A VERY REAL SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY, THAT I UNDERTAKE TO EXPRESS IN WORDS, OUR REGARD FOR MRS. SIMPSON AND TO EVALUATE ALL THAT SHE HAS MEANT TO THIS COMPANY OF OURS FOR SO MANY YEARS. TO EXTOL THE VIRTUES AND ACCOMPLISHMENT OF SOME PROMINENT FIGURE ON SOME PUBLIC PLATFORM WOULD FOR ME, AT LEAST, PRESENT A FAR LESS FORMIDABLE ASSIGNMENT THAN THAT WHICH I NOW ENDEAVOR. IT IS SO IMPORTANT THAT THE TRIBUTE BE ADEQUATE AND COMPLETELY APPROPRIATE.

YOU SEE, SHE IS OF THAT CLASS OF WOMEN, WHO DEVOTE THEIR LIVES TO OTHERS AND PASS YEAR AFTER YEAR ALONG THEIR STILL AND PATIENT WAY ALMOST UNOBSERVED BY THE COMMON WORLD.

I THINK IT IS THE COMMON LOT OF US ALL, AS WE GO THROUGH LIFE, THAT THERE IS NOTHING MORE PLEASANT THAN THE ASSOCIATION WITH CERTAIN PEOPLE WHO MAKE A VERY PROFOUND IMPRESSION UPON US, IN THE SEVERAL PLACES WHERE WE, BY CIRCUMSTANCE, HAVE BEEN CALLED UPON TO DO THE DAY'S WORK. IN ANY EVENT THAT IS THE WAY IT HAS BEEN FOR ME - THERE WAS "TUFTY" AT EXETER, AND DEAN BRIGGS AT HARVARD, AND HENRY C. ATTWILL AT THE STATE HOUSE, AND NOW THESE LAST FEW YEARS, MRS. SIMPSON AT THE BOSTON MUTUAL.. WHEN YOU TRY TO SAY SOMETHING ABOUT THEM, THERE IS A TUG AT YOUR HEART AND A CATCH IN YOUR THROAT.

DRY STATEMENTS OF BUSINESS, THE LANGUAGE OF FINANCES HAVE NO PLACE ON THIS FELICITOUS OCCASION.

THE GROWTH AND ACHIEVMENT OF ALL SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS INSTITUTIONS ARE DUE IN GREAT PART, NOT TO THOSE OUT FRONT, BUT TO THOSE WHO SO FAITHFULLY AND CAPABELY CARRY OUT THEIR DUTIES IN POSITIONS OF SECONDARY RESPONSIBILITY. THIS TRIBUTE TO MRS. SIMPSON HERE TODAY IS SOME EVIDENCE OF THAT INDISPUTABLE FACT. WE HONOR HER FOR FORTY YEARS OF DEVOTED SERVICE. IT HAS BEEN AN ENTIRELY HONORABLE SERVICE, BECAUSE IT ~~WAS~~ HAS DEPENDED UPON INDUSTRY, GOOD COMMON SENSE, REGULARITY OF LIFE AND FREEDOM FROM SOUR, ENVIOUS, OR SELFISH TENDENCIES.

WHERE SHE IS THERE IS SUNSHINE, GOOD FELLOWSHIP, AND ALL THAT MAKES THE DAY'S WORK VERY MUCH WORTH THE DOING. SHE LOOKS OUT FOR HER GROUP OF GIRLS IN THE POLICY DEPARTMENT LIKE A MOTHER HEN WITH HER BROOD OF CHICKENS. DAY IN AND DAY OUT SHE TAKES A GENEROUS AND LIVELY INTEREST IN ALL AROUND HER. HERE, IN THIS BOSTON MUTUAL OF OURS, SHE HAS REMAINED FOR OVER FORTY YEARS, GROWING MORE MELLOW, MORE HUMOROUS, AND, IF COULD BE, MORE TOLERANT. STRANGE IT IS, AS I THINK ABOUT MRS. SIMPSON, THE PICTURE OF MR. CHIPS, THE LOVABLE ENGLISH SCHOOLMASTER KEEPS COMING TO MY MIND. IN THE LIVES OF MOST OF US THERE IS PROBABLY AT LEAST ONE SUCH PERSON, WHOSE CONSTANCY AND UNDERSTANDING, WHOSE HUMOR, WISDOM, AND GOOD WORKS, WE NEVER FORGET.

SURELY NO ONE WOULD GAINSAY THAT SHE HAS ALL THE QUALITIES THAT GO TO MAKE A GENTLE LADY, KIND, CONSIDERATE, COURTEOUS, POLITE, TENDER, CONGENIAL, COMPANIONABLE, AND GRACIOUS. IN HER TWO SCORE YEARS HERE, MRS. SIMPSON HAS SUMMED UP, IN HER PERSON, AN ABIDING LOYALTY FOR THE BOSTON MUTUAL, A NOSTALGIC AND ABIDING LOYALTY TO THE MEMORY OF MR. EDGERTON AND MR. MANSFIELD AND ALL THE OTHERS WHO WERE WITH HER FOR SO MANY YEARS. HOW CAN SHE BE THANKED FOR THE INTELLIGENT PREPARATION OF HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF POLICIES, AND ABOVE ALL, FOR A SORT OF QUAINT, WHIMSICAL AND DRYLY AMUSING AND LIFELONG LOYALTY TO THIS COMPANY, WHICH HAS SO TRULY BEEN HER WORLD.

WORDS ARE INDEED EMPTY AND ONCE SAID MAY SOON BE FORGOTTEN, BUT I VENTURE TO SAY THAT THIS PICTURE OF YOUR FRIENDS GATHERED HERE BEFORE YOU IN YOUR HONOR WILL LINGER IN YOUR MEMORY FOREVER. FOR THEM ALL, I CONCLUDE, BY PARAPHRASING SOME WORDS THAT ONCE WERE WRITTEN BY ELIZABETH BARRETT BROWNING: "HOW DO WE LIKE THEE? LET US COUNT THE WAYS. WE LIKE THEE TO THE DEPTH AND BREADTH AND HEIGHT OUR THOUGHTS CAN REACH, WHEN FEELING OUT OF SIGHT FOR THE ENDS OF BEING AND IDEAL GRACE. WE LIKE THEE TO THE LEVEL OF EVERYDAY'S MOST QUIET NEED, BY SUN AND CANDLELIGHT. WE LIKE THEE FREELY, AS MEN STRIVE FOR RIGHT: WE LIKE THEE WITH THE BREATH, THROUGH SMILES AND TEARS, AND YEARS, TO COME SO BRIGHT!"











Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company

HOME OFFICE
160 CONGRESS STREET
BOSTON, MASS.

Tessie, you've never boasted 'bout the work
done by you each day,

Tessie, you've always told us it was "your
girls" that earned your pay.

Tessie, that was only blarney, it's time you
took a bow,

For Tessie, we couldn't sell insurance without
your "know how."

--Adaptation by Judge Leo H. Leary

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Honors Long Service

In recognition of her 40 years of service as a loyal employee of the Boston Mutual Life Insurance Co., Mrs. Theresa Simpson, manager of the policy department, was recently tendered a testimonial luncheon in the Hawthorne Room of the Parker House here. Taken by complete surprise before the officers, directors, and home office employees of the company, Mrs. Simpson was presented a substantial check by President Jay R. Benton and a radio set by Miss Ann Igoe, chairman of the committee in charge.

Life THE EASTERN UNDERWRITER Life

August 2, 1946

Honors Long Service



Left to right: Judge Leo H. Leary, vice president; Mrs. Theresa Simpson, manager of the Policy Department; Jay R. Benton, president of Boston Mutual Life.

Boston Mutual Life, in recognition of forty years of loyal service, gave a luncheon for Mrs. Theresa Simpson, manager of the policy department, in the Hawthorne Room of the Parker House, Boston, at which President Jay R. Benton, on behalf of the company, presented her with a substantial check and Miss Ann Ignoe, chairman of the committee in charge of the affair, presented a radio set.

along Insurance lane

The advertisement entitled, "Back to Basic Training — For Good," of the Boston Mutual, which appeared in The Insurance Age-Journal of July, is being used by the company in 200 daily, weekly and foreign language newspapers during 1946. The advertisement is expected to reach over 16,000,000 readers and will be published in at least one local paper in every area in which the company has a debit. This year's advertisement has been designed to complete the campaign originated two years ago with reference to National Service Life Insurance.



MRS. THERESA SIMPSON receiving from her "chief", President Jay Benton, of the Boston Mutual, a substantial check in recognition of her forty years of loyal, consecutive service. The presentation was made at a testimonial luncheon tendered her recently at the Parker House, Boston, by the officers, directors and home office employees. She was also the recipient of a radio set.


Thank
You!

This "Thank You"

Doesn't half convey

The grateful things

I'd like to say!

T. Teresa Simpson

July 9 - 1916.

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T. T. McCROSKY

June 25, 1946

Mr. Jay R. Benton
Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company
160 Congress Street
Boston 10, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Benton:

This confirms our verbal invitation for a joint luncheon meeting of the members of the Port of Boston Authority and the officers of our Committee.

The luncheon will be at the Parker House on Tuesday, July 9, at 12:30 o'clock. We sincerely hope you will be free to attend.

Sincerely yours,

T. T. McCrosky

T. T. McCrosky
Executive Director

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June 28, 1946

Mr. Jay R. Benton
Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company
160 Congress Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Jay:

Will you do me the honor of joining me in a small luncheon party which I am giving to my president, Mr. Laurence S. Kennedy of New York, on Tuesday, July ninth, at 12 noon, in private dining room number one, the Algonquin Club.

Many of the men attending the luncheon are scheduled to go to the All Star baseball game which means that we will adjourn promptly at 1:15.

Best personal wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Mike

Michael T. Kelleher

MTK:REA

July 1, 1946

Mr. Michael T. Kelleher
c/o Marsh & McLellan, Inc.
60 Congress Street
Boston 9, Mass.

Dear Mike:

Your invitation to join your luncheon for your President, Mr. Kennedy, on Tuesday, July 9th, reached me in this morning's mail.

Thank you very much for thinking of me and I regret exceedingly that I cannot be present for the reason that the officers and home office employees of the Boston Mutual are giving a surprise testimonial luncheon at the Parker House on that date for Mrs. Theresa Simpson who is Manager of our Policy Department and has completed 40 years of honorable and fine service.

Sincerely yours,

Jay R. Benton

President

JRB/dlc





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sage to be telephoned from
Lancaster, New Hampshire

July 10, 1946

Miss Isabelle Hall,
Guildhall,
Vermont.

Happy wedding day. Benton family up there in spirit. Sends enthusiastic congratulations.

Frances & Jay Benton.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Sylvester Hall

announce the marriage of their daughter

Isabelle Marilyn

to

Mr. James Daniel Newton

on Wednesday the tenth of July

Nineteen hundred and forty-six

Guildhall Vermont

NEWTON -- HALL

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Hall on July 10, when their daughter, Miss Isabelle Marilyn Hall, became the bride of Mr. James D. Newton, son of Mrs. Ruel Newton of Tuscon, Arizona, and the late Mr. Newton, in a double ring ceremony performed by Rev. Kenneth C. Bunker of Lancaster. The ceremony took place at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon and was attended by relatives and a few friends of the bride and bridegroom.

The bride was attended by Mrs. Robert Funk. Mr. Stanley Hall, a brother of the bride, was best man.

Roses, delphinium. white mallow, peonies and gladioli decorated the room where the ceremony was held, as well as field lilies gathered by the members of the Youth Fellowship group of Guildhall. The bride wore a street length dress of white silk crepe and a headdress of white feathers and dotted net. She carried a white prayer book from which yellow rosebuds were suspended. Her attendant wore a blue dress with matching headdress and a corsage of pink roses.

A reception, attended by a large number of friends and neighbors, was held following the ceremony. Miss Natalie Beattie was in charge of the guest book and Mrs. Helen Boswell was in charge of the gifts. Refreshments were served by McKee's. The day being the 35th wedding anniversary of the bride's parents, a surprise presentation of gifts was made to Mr. and Mrs. Hall after the reception by members of the family, neighbors and friends, and the employees of the Frank Smith Corporation, Lancaster, of which Mr. Hall is an official.

Following the reception, the couple left for Maidstone Lake, where they spent a few days before leaving by plane for Tuscon, where they will make their home.

Mrs. Newton is a graduate of Groveton High School and attended Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y. and the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, Mass. She has been employed recently as a secretary by the Unitarian Service Organization, Boston. Mr. Newton attended the Tuscon schools and was discharged from the Navy in February after serving for three years as a radar specialist. He is employed by the telephone company in Tuscon.

Among those attending the wedding and reception were Miss Emma Newton of Washington, D. C., an aunt of the bridegroom; Mr. and Mrs. Fred N. Hall and daughter Esnia, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Warren, and Mrs. Arthur Chase of Kennebunk, Me.; Miss Dorothy Maillet, Providence, R. I.; Miss Elaine Cornellier, Ayer, Mass.; Thomas F. Hogan, Northampton, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Abbott, Mrs. Mark Hamlin, Berlin; and Robert Woodward. Boston; also a number from Groveton and Lancaster.



Mrs. James D. Newton

Dear Mr + Mrs Benton,
We initiated the lovely bowl and tray set last night with a "Tacos" dinner.
Thank you very much for the set and the pocketbook.
I love Arizona, as Mary and Tim said I would.

The beauty of the Catalina mountain range is beyond description and many of the homes here are grand.

I hope you enjoyed your month in Smithhall. I certainly missed seeing all of you.

Sincerely,

Sept. 8 Isabelle



July 10, 1946

Mr. Neal W. Beattie
R. F. D. #2,
Lancaster, N. H.

Dear Neal:

Lena Hall tells me you are the new treasurer of the Crawford Library Trust Funds. So, if you will send down a check, I will go around to select and send up a batch of books to the library.

Sincerely yours,

Jay P. Benton

JRB/dlc

Wednesday July 10, 1946

Slept late. Did not wake up until 6.30 — Breakfast at 8.20 — Orange juice - Cream of wheat - Fried Eggs + Bacon - toast - Butter - Iced Coffee - to the Square with Frances - Office at 9.10 Worked until 1. To the Hotel Brevy for lunch. Sliced Cold Ham Potato Salad. Sliced Tomatoes and lettuce - Roll - Butter - Iced Coffee. Apple Pie + Ice Cream. To Jordans. Picked up prints - left 620 film - to Bigelow's on Bromfield St. - for a birthday card for Jim - To Province St. for a couple of neckties for Jim - to Ver Johnsons and to Robbins & Co in the Chamber of Commerce Building - looking for a trophy for the Horse Shoe Pitching Contest - For the Lancaster Fair + Back to the Office - Worked to 4.30. To Belmont in Chester Square with the

Sun to Shine Again Today

Though it may still be gray and threatening outside as you read this early today, this is the day when the cloudiness is going to break away and the bright sunshine that has come to be almost an expected part of this pleasant month of July will be with us once more.

A weak low pressure system was located directly over New England late yesterday. It was moving very slowly and still is, so that by this morning it is only a short distance off-shore. But immediately to the west a weak area of high pressure was causing pleasant, dry air over the Great Lakes region and most of New York state and was slated to be over New England this morning and dominate our weather here for the rest of today as well as tomorrow.

During all this time, several days of bright sunshine and very little circulation of air out in the Middle West is producing another heat wave there. Yesterday, extreme heat on the order of 100 degrees or slightly higher extended from Arkansas and Oklahoma, northward through Nebraska and western Iowa.

Signs of a break in their hot spell, however, comes from a very welcome influx of cool, Canadian air that was flowing down through Montana and Wyoming into the western part of the Dakotas and Nebraska last night. It is very probable that this cold front will reach New England later this week accompanied by some much needed showers. Meanwhile, pleasant, sunny, dry weather is in store for New England most of today and all day tomorrow.

Leary — Rested until dinner
time at 6.30. Hot Roast OX —
Tongue. Golden's Mustard and
Horseradish — Parsley Potato —
Tomato & Lettuce Salad. Clover
Leaf Rolls & Butter. Milk —
Peach cup with Whipped Cream.
Upstairs at 7.15 +

EPT. PUBLIC WELFARE — DIVISION PROBATION & PAROLE

TO: "Pete" Benton — DATE: July 10th 1946

FROM: "HIZZONER"

IN RE: "Sohoes-Wedding ets.

CASE NO:

Dear "Pete";

The shoes arrived yesterday,Brother--do they look good,fact is,I did not think you would remember the issue after leaving Guildhall,it only proves you are a "Chip off the Old Block" they fit like a "Ducks' foot in the Mud",perfect as to length,width etc.Many thanks and damn decent of you to remember the shoe question.

Just returned from the Hall-Newton wedding,gala time,looke for you,guess you did not show up,sorry,big time,minister and all were there,big crowd,lots of "Punch"-some red,some redder,big sale on the redder,it was also the 35th wedding annniversary of Harley and Lena,gave them Cedar Chest,cigars,etc.Harley made short speech, don't remember just what he said,but good.The "Redder"punch could, and was,spiked with Rhum,in the Buttery off the kitchen,"Bert"Moore "Doc" Bronson,John Hodge,"Bob"Wentworth,and OTHERS,took advantage of the set-up.The Bride & Groom took off in Harleys old car for Miadston Lake,'midst tin cans,streamers,and "You got me today-- I'll get you tonite"and etc,(Signs that is)two car tried to block the way by the common,wanted tem to go VIA Groveton,mad race around the park,resuts--Bride & Groom got thro the barricade,and off (1st time)to the Lake.

"Hen"Archer stayed in the barn whilst goings on was going on,came out as Bride & Groome took off,Expect he had a few Barn Swallows."Jede" Stevens burnt up 1½ cigars,with gestures, N.W.Beattie stuck to the Red Punch,able to drive home.

Plenty of picture takers on hand,from Lancaster, Gramby,Gallups Mills,Guildhall,"Jedge" Stevens took several,thot he had a film in,remains to be seem,hope so.

Grand time--Grand people-- Grand Punch,sorry you missed the whole thing.

As I look over this epistle,I note added letters, letters left out,-- too much wedding,take the whole thing with a grain of salt.

Gonna see you all later.

THANKS AGAIN.

Paul





Guildhall. St
July 10, 1946

Dear Uncle Jay.

We're having very wonderful weather here. It won't be long before you will be here enjoying it with us. A Happy Day, the day of your arrival.

Thanks so much for the flowers. They

ace (as always) welcome reading &
enjoy them lots.

Elsa Hall was married today a very pretty wedding. Wish you could have been here. But we're glad your coming soon.

My best to all the family. Love.

Janie

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July 10, 1946

Mr. Jay R. Benton, President
Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company
160 Congress Street
Boston 10, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Benton:

Yes, indeed. Your pigeon, tending strictly to business, returned straight to its loft and here is the proof -- your original message just as we took it from the capsule on the pigeon's leg, but after making a transcript.

Our switchboard has been so jammed with phone calls from busy executives asking if their pigeon made the grade that we are sending this letter and similar enclosures to all who responded, since only two pigeons out of the whole lot went A.W.O.L.

The response showed very plainly that leading businessmen in this area do not fear any immediate recession and that all their plans call for full speed ahead. We are particularly glad to be able to state this reassurance at a time when there seems, for no good reason, to be a little lull in the more general business spirit of NEW New England.

We believed sincerely from previous study that an optimistic attitude is well justified and we hoped for just exactly what happened - simultaneous confirmation by business leaders. That was the real and serious purpose of our "Operation Squab." A summary of these reports will be mailed you next week.

You and we, by bolstering the courage of the more faint-hearted, can bring about a new flowering of business and prosperity in New England. It's about time people began hearing the good things about New England as well as the bad, and we've dedicated ourselves to the job.

Enclosed is advance proof of the material on New England to appear in the new edition of Markets of America. Knowing that we had made

a continuing study of New England, the publisher paid us the honor of asking George Wiswell to prepare the leading section of the book dealing with New England.

You will find here some previously unpublished data on the New England market.

Cordially yours,

CHAMBERS AND WISWELL, INC.

Charles F. Hutchinson

Charles F. Hutchinson
Vice President

P. S. Markets of America: (Published by The Advertiser Magazine, 11 West 42nd Street, New York City, price $3.00) Contains market information on major cities and sales areas. We've found it an excellent reference guide.

CFH/m
Encs.

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CARRIER BASED SURVEY OF NEW ENGLAND INDUSTRY

1. Is your business now operating at full speed? Yes ✓ No _____
2. If not, what obstacles such as labor troubles are still standing in your way?

   none

3. What is your forecast for the industrial future of New England?

   Excellent _____ Good ✓ Fair _____ Poor _____
4. When do you think New England industry will hit its stride in production?

   1 year from date
5. "New New England"—a talk delivered to thousands of business leaders by George C. Wiswell, President of the Advertising Club of Boston—Would you like a copy?

   Yes ✓ No _____
6. ADVERCULTURE—the new idea for the new age of business. Do you want to hear about it? Yes ✓ No _____

Good work!
George

Signature Jay P. Baxter

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HARRISON L. AMBER
PRESIDENT

July 5, 1946.

Mr. Jay R. Benton, President,
Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Jay:-

I received today the spring issue of The Live Wire and I found many very interesting things in it. I do not know whether it came from you or from someone else but it was very interesting just the same.

Are you going to be in your office Thursday morning, July 11th? I have to come down to a meeting of the Massachusetts Taxpayers Association and there is a matter that I want to talk to you about for a few minutes if I could see you. I will come to your office any time before 11:00 o'clock Thursday morning, July the 11th.

Very truly yours,

Harrison L. Amber,
President.

HLA/S

July 8, 1946

Mr. Harrison L. Ambler, President
Berkshire Life Insurance Company
Pittsfield, Mass.

Dear Harrison:

Very glad to hear from you. Will be pleased to see you next Thursday morning and will make it a point to be in between 9:30 and 11:00 to await your arrival.

Sincerely yours,

Joe P. Benton

JRB/dlc

July 11, 1946.

Mr. Earle E. Stevens
Guildhall, Vermont.

As I will be starting up on vacation in about a couple of weeks, kindly hold for my arrival all parcels that arrive at the Post Office from now on.

Sincerely yours,

Jay P. Benton

JRB:el

Thursday. July 11, 1946

Kind of tossing and turning last night, and not to sleep until after one. Slept late. Breakfast at 8.45 - Orange juice - wheat germ - Scrambled Eggs + Bacon - Toast - Butter - Iced Coffee. to the Square, with Francis Subway - Ran into Larry Bitner who told me he is getting through with Friends on September 1st. Office - the mail - the work - at 11.15. Came Harrison L. Ambler to talk over over some things with me. He is President of the Berkshire Life - Out at 12.30 + to Spalding Hose to leave Peter's Marine Discharge to have a negative made. - To Dennison for a card to send to Bill Aiken, hurt in an accident at Waterbury, Conn., yesterday. Walked out to Park Square - to the Cafe Rouge - But the place packed. To Child's - Had Jellied Essence of Tomato - Creamed Chicken on Noodles. String Beans + Roll + Iced Coffee - Orange Sherbet - Walking Back, Caught +

Cool Today Ar

Yesterday didn't turn out to be quite so pleasant as it had originally figured to be. Though the sun finally broke out for a short while late in the day, it wasn't soon enough for most folks to be absolutely sure that it wasn't going to rain, perhaps heavily, before the day was over despite the forecast of fair weather.

Boston's nearness to the cool ocean brings comforting relief from many a heat wave during the summer months, but occasionally the whole idea backfires a bit as it has for the beach vacationists in this vicinity during the past three days. Sometimes the east wind gets a bit too cool and is accompanied by low heavy cloudiness. This usually means that the air only a short while before it reaches our shores has traveled over some very cool water bodies off the Canadian Maritimes provinces, rather than over the slightly warmer waters just a short distance out in Massachusetts Bay or close to Cape Cod such as our pleasurable sea breezes usually do.

Today probably will be the last in our series of damp ones near the coast. There will be considerable low cloudiness and it will continue cool today and tonight. Tomorrow will be generally fair, becoming quite warm and humid.

short - so dashed into the Tourniquet for relief — to Jordans - looking for Stove wicks for Guildhall - none to be had. Bought 4 Insect Repellent Electric Light Bulbs for Guildhall + Back to the office at 2.35 - out at 3.30. to Baso Elec. Co - and a Hardware Store on Federal St. still looking for Stove wicks - but none to be had. Office - left at 4.25 - to Balmentin Frank Keyes's Car with Les Leary. Front Porch. had Coffee - Upstairs to rest - Girls out. Frances Cooking — Fried Ham burgers & Onions. Baked Potato - Tomato & lettuce Salad. Roll. Milk. Custard Peaches Upstairs at 7.15 +



HOTEL BELLEVUE

Beacon Hill

BOSTON, MASS.

Luncheon - July 12. 1946

HOTEL BELLEVUE

LUNCHEON

Fish Chowder, Fisherman Style, Bowl 30, Cup 20
Jellied Cream of Chicken, Cup 20
Consomme Royal, Cup 20 Jellied Beef Consomme, Cup 20
Chilled Cantaloupe 35 Chilled Grape Juice 20 Fresh Fruit Cup 35
Chilled Orange and Grapefruit Juice 20 Chilled Tomato Juice Cocktail 20

Starred ★ Entrees are Ready to Serve

1 ★BROILED FRESH BOSTON SCHROD,
Lemon Butter, Whipped Potato, Garden Peas 65

2 BAKED FRESH MACKEREL,
Creole Sauce, Pan Roast Potato, Green Salad 55

3 ★FRIED FRESH DEEP SEAFOOD CUTLETS,
Cardinal Sauce, Creamy Mashed Potato, New Peas 65

4 ★SCRAMBLED EGGS
on Toast, with Broiled Bacon, Garden String Beans 65

5 ★FRICASSE OF FRESH SPRING LAMB
on Baked White Rice Ring, New Green Peas 70

6 ★ROAST FRESH BEEF LOAF,
Espagnole Sauce, Rissole Potato, Fresh String Beans 75

7 ★BOWL OF FISH CHOWDER,
with Open Sandwich of Sardines, Sliced Onions and Lettuce on Dark Bread 75

8 ★SALAD BOWL
with Romaine and Grapefruit Sections, Grenadin Dressing 85

9 ★COLD PLATE
with Braised Leg of Fresh Spring Lamb, Salad a la Russe, Sliced Cucumbers, Rose Radishes 85

Entrees Include Rolls and Spreads

DESSERTS AND ICE CREAM

Fresh Raspberries with Cream 35

Apple Pie	20	Pineapple Sundae	30
Cherry Pie	20	Orange Water Ice	20
Rice Custard Pudding, Fruit Sauce	20	Half Cantaloupe	35
Orange Cake	20	Lemon Sherbet	20
Iced Watermelon	35	Fudge Sundae	30

BEVERAGES

Milk	.10	Coffee, Cup	.10
Tea	.10	Iced Coffee	.15

APPETIZERS

Shrimp Cocktail	.45	Canape of Sardines	.45
Small Fruit Cup	.35	Deep Seafood Cocktail	50
Cherrystone Clam Cocktail	.45	Lobster Cocktail	1.00
Fresh Crabmeat Cocktail	.50	Little Neck Clam Cocktail	45

VEGETABLES

Green Peas	.35
Fresh String Beans	.35
Garden Spinach	.35
Buttered Carrots	.25

POTATOES

French Fried	.30
Saute	.30
Whipped	.20
Boiled	.20

SALADS

BELLEVUE CHEF'S SALAD BOWL
Julienne of Fresh Lobster, Sliced Tomato and Ripe Olives 85

Lobster	2.00	Chiffonade	.65
Chicken	1.25	Lettuce and Tomato	.50
Fresh Fruit	.70	Fresh Crabmeat	1.25
Seafood	1.20	Potato or Beet	.45

Rolls and Spreads Served with Above Salads

SANDWICHES

Seafood Salad	55	Sardine Sandwich	40
Sliced Chicken	.60	Club	80
Crabmeat Salad	60	Chicken Salad	.50
Egg Salad	45	Lettuce and Tomato	35

Served in Room 5c per portion additional.

All prices listed are our Ceiling Prices unless otherwise indicated, in which case they are below Ceiling Prices. By O.P.A. regulation our Ceilings are our highest Prices from April 4 to April 10, 1943. Records of these Prices are available for your inspection.

Kindly inform the Hostess if you expect a message while Dining.

We regret that we cannot be responsible for articles lost unless checked.

Friday, July 12, 1946 Massachusetts Old Age Tax 5%

Historic Relic



Monitor Camera Club from Jennie A. Russ, Michigan City, Ind.

This appears to be just an old barn in a lonely field. In reality it is historic Libby Prison as it looks today. Originally a tobacco warehouse owned by a Mr. Libby in Richmond, Va., it was used as a prison by the Confederates during 1863-64. In 1893 the brick structure was carefully dismantled and taken to the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago, where it was used as a museum. When the exhibit failed financially, the building was sold to Sen. Charles Danielson, who removed it to his farm near Kingsbury, Ind., and converted it into a barn. There it stands today. The interior is constructed of the original huge timbers, and dates and the names of many Union prisoners are cut into the uprights and beams.

Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company

HOME OFFICE
160 CONGRESS STREET
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DISTRICT OFFICE
TALCOTT BURGESS, Supt.
598 COLUMBIA ROAD
DORCHESTER, MASS.

July 5, 1946

Mr. Jay R. Benton
President

Dear Sir:

The men of the Dorchester District join me in cordially inviting you to attend our annual summer outing to be held at Nantasket Beach, Friday July 12.

We plan to go on the boat from India Wharf, which leaves at 10:30 A. M.

Luncheon will be served at the Nantasket Hotel at 1:00P.M.

Trusting that you will be with us on that occasion.
I am,

Very truly yours,

Supt.

TB:DR

Warmer Today

Yesterday was the fourth day of persistent easterly winds and cloudy, cool weather along coastal New England. At Boston, the highest temperature yesterday was 65 degrees, just a few degrees higher than the temperature of the air prevailing over the Atlantic at these latitudes.

The effectiveness of the easterly winds diminished rapidly inland. About 50 miles inland the sky was mostly cloudy with temperatures 10-15 degrees warmer than along the coast.

A shift in the wind to southerly is expected to occur near noon today with the fog and low cloudiness breaking up to give partly cloudy skies and rising temperatures this afternoon. This warmed, humid air will result in scattered thunder showers over all New England late this afternoon or early evening.

The change in weather will be due to the approach of the low pressure area which is north of the Great Lakes. This low will pass through New England tonight, causing the weather to clear for tonight and tomorrow. Northerly winds following the low will again cause lower temperatures tomorrow.

Friday, July 12, 1946
Had a good night's sleep.. For breakfast - Orange juice - Cream of Wheat - Dropped Eggs on Toast - Iced Coffee - to the Square with Frances and Peter - The Subway - the office - Peter came in to get some money to buy a tire. I went over and had a talk with Ted. Mc Crosby at Boston Headquarters - Then to Filene's to buy a straw hat - to Spalding Moss to get the Photostat of Peter's Marine's Discharge. Back to the office - Paid some household bills - Out at 12.20 to the First National Bank to make a deposit - to the Warren Institution for Savings - to the Hotel Bellevue had lunch in the Old Colony Room. Boiled Scrod - Green Peas - Roll - Butter - Iced Coffee - Lemon Sherbert. Talking with Nathan B. Bidwell and Luther W. Faulkner - to the Waverley Heating Supply Co. at 31 Union St and there found storm sticks for Guildhall.

Back to the office – Worked until 4.30 – then To Belmont to Frank Hayden's car with Leo Leary and Chester Snow – a stop at Griffin's – The Front Porch – Frances and I alone – John and Peter left at 2 this afternoon in the Mercury to go to the Lake – John to spend two week's vacation at Mary's Cottage – Peter the Week-end. Dinner at 6.30. Fried Scallops & Tartar Sauce. To Bed early +.

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Saturday, July 13, 1946

Following a long night's sleep - the day started at 6.30 - the tub down to the refrigerator - the "Herald" Breakfast upstairs at 8.30. Orange juice - wheat germ - Broiled Mackerel - Roll - Butter - Iced Coffee + Read papers and just rested and relaxed until noon. Then up had a shave and a shower Walked up to Cushing Square to get some papers and cigarettes - Looked for Egg Noodles but none to be had. Back to the house. Lunch on the Front Porch prepared by Frances. Kraft Cheese Luncheon with grilled Tomatoes Blue-Berries and Cream. Rested all afternoon. Listened to the Broadcast of the Red Sox - Detroit game. Leo Leary Brought around a dozen iris Bulbs from his garden. Downstairs at 5 - Staked up a dahlia and planted the iris bulbs. Supper on the Front Porch at 6.30 Broiled Eggs on Roast Beef

Fair, Moderate For Weekend

Despite the threat of showers throughout New England yesterday, actual occurrences were few and widely separated, and many folks who now realize the need of rain in the Boston area naturally have been disappointed.

The front of cooler air that has been progressing steadily, though rather slowly, across the northern part of the country for the last three or four days finally reached New England last night. But, though it had been active to the extent of producing some heavy showers and thunderstorms in the Great Lakes area the day before, by yesterday it had seemed to lose much of its intensity. By last night, it was dribbling its way across New England scarcely noticeable to the average person, who usually needs a good blast of cooler air in sudden fashion, or a nice black cloud, to identify its presence.

We are now getting back to the dry, but pleasant, weather routine.

Hash - Milk - Roll - Butter -
Cantaloupe Balls with a slice
of lemon - Upstairs and to
bed early.

News of the Week as Seen by Dugan



Sunday, July 14, 1946

This is a nice Summer's day. Frances was down for a snuggle. The "Herald" came at 7.45 - Breakfast upstairs at 8.20 - Orange juice - Corn flakes - Broiled Mackerel. Potato Cake - Sliced Cucumbers. Roll - Butter - Iced Coffee - The other Sunday papers did not arrive until 9 o'clock. Took it easy all morning to 11.30. Then a shave and a hot tub Bath - Up to Call on Mother at 11 Oak Avenue. Back to the house at 1 o'clock. David, Jeanne, & Leslie had arrived. Dinner at 2.15 - Pot Roast - Onions & CaBBage - Baked Potato - Tomato & lettuce Salad - Milk - Sliced Peaches and Cream. Upstairs to rest - and to listen to the Broadcast of the Red Sox - Cleveland Baseball Game + At 3.30 - Mother, Hannah, & Dorothy arrived and stayed

Ideal Summer Day Today

Today in Boston and the rest of southern and central New England will be just another fine example of settled summer weather; as pleasant and sunny, in fact, as was yesterday.

Last night's weather map, as can be seen, was a very typical summertime one, lacking any well defined storm systems and with fair weather actually covering the major portion of the country. Down in the southeastern states an area of unsettled weather prevails, but showers and thunder storms lately seem to break out down there with no trouble at all, day after day. Elsewhere in the country, however, showers were practically non-existent.

Thre is a disturbance of minor importance in Canada, just north of the Great Lakes, that is moving eastward. This weak depression is expected to produce a few light showers up in northern Maine tonight, but elsewhere in New England there seems no probability of any rain, even in the form of scattered showers for at least another 48 hours; not very good news to the average gardener, who is looking for rain more and more from day to day.

There is now a mass of pretty hot air getting organized over the central and northern Great Plains. The air flow just at present over to the west of New England is such that it will prevent this extreme heat from reaching here for at least two or three days.

Parties hours when they left to have dinner at the Lorna Lyne House at Lynnfield + David came + Leslie left in Morse's car to go back to Cambridge. I retarts again to listen to the last 3 innings of the second Red Sox. Cleveland game + Frances made me a Mock Suffer which I had at 7.30. Scrambled Eggs + Bacon Bits + Toast Bits - Milk - Blueberries and Cream +

Peter returned from the Lake tonight at 11 o'clock +

Fair Today

The low pressure area which was located north of New York state yesterday traveled very rapidly to pass through New England last night. The low center was at a sufficient distance to give southern New England a fair, warm day yesterday. However, clouds in advance of the low began to appear in northern New England near noon and were followed by a few scattered, light showers in the afternoon and evening.

The passage of the low is resulting in northerly winds which are transporting cool, dry air from Canada southward into New England. This cool air arrived in Maine last night and cleared the skies as it became settled.

It will be fair and somewhat cooler today, tonight and tomorrow in northern New England, due to the presence of this air. The advance edge of the cool air is due to arrive in southern New England this afternoon, late enough so that the temperature today will rise to near yesterday's maximum level.

Monday, July 15, 1946

Bed was over against the window again last nigeht - a fair night's sleep - for breakfast - orange juice - wheat germ - Fried Eggs + Bacon - Toast Butter - Iced Coffee - Monday morning suit case - Rubbers - Umbrella - With Frances in the car. Left 2 suits at Isenstein's - to the Square - the subway - the office - Work - Out at 2.30 Walked down to 124 Canal St. to the Union Oyster House there - Had Tomato Juice - Lobster Salad Sandwich. String Beans. Iced Coffee - to the North Station - Bought the tickets on the "Mountaineer" to Whitefield for Sunday, August 4th - killed 15 minutes in the Waiting Room - Cars to Kenmore Square. Attended the funeral of former Attorney General James M. Swift - Had a ride back to the State House with Fred Cook. To Jordan Marsh - Bought another Camp Trunk for Guildhall - to the Photo Dept. picked up Prints - Back to the office -

Work - did 25 ordinaries -
Left at 4.25 - to Belmont in
Chester Swan's car - with Les
Leary - Front Porch - Jim out
for dinner + Pot Roast - Mashed
Potato - String Beans - Salad -
Rolls - Butter - Milk - Blueberries
and Cream - Upstairs at 7.15 +

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July 8, 1946

Mr. Jay R. Benton, President
Boston Mutual Life Insurance Co.
160 Congress Street
Boston, 10, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Benton:

To confirm our telephone conversation of this date, the joint luncheon of the Greater Boston Development Committee with the Port of Boston Authority, previously scheduled for July 9, has been postponed until Tuesday, July 16, at 12:30 P.M. and is to be held in the Dickens Room of the Parker House, Boston.

Very truly yours,

J. Ross McKeever.

J. Ross McKeever
Principal Planning Analyst



THE PORT OF BOSTON

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THE commercial history of the Port of Boston dates from 1630, when one Sam Maverick sailed into the harbor with a cargo of one hundred bushels of grain, obtained from the Indians of Cape Cod, which he thereupon sold at a profit to to the God-fearing burghers of that day. Since then the Port has had its ups and downs, what with mighty clippers fashioned by Donald MacKay racing through the seas in the China trade, and young Frederic Tudor in 1800 (his neighbors thought it funny until the profits rolled in) shipping ice from his father's Saugus pond to the West Indies.

The Port of Boston reached its peak in the 1850's when it ranked with the greatest in the world. Its seafaring families piled up fortunes on the sea-lanes. Then began a decline, as the descendants of the sailing families retired to more prosaic endeavors in banks and factories. It wasn't for lack of voices to decry the dissipation of the city's greatest natural resources, its incomparable deep water harbor, that the decay continued. The Directors of the Port of Boston, later replaced by the old Boston Port Authority, did everything possible under the double handi-



Key to map shown on the cover

caps of limited funds and public apathy. They brought about construction of Commonwealth Pier No. 5, still one of the finest ocean terminals in the world, and of the mighty Fish Pier, the world's best, and fought savagely hundreds of rate and tariff cases in the interest of the Port.

Men like Richard Parkhurst, present member of the Maritime Commission, and former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, who at 83, is a Commissioner of the present board, carried on through the years a relentless fight for a Port Authority with real authority. Their efforts bore fruit, even in the face of an infinitesimal budget, and the Port began its comeback in the '20's.

Normal Commodity Movement

General cargo movement in and out of the Port of Boston in the period preceding World War II was imposing. The chief commodities imported were pulp from Scandinavian countries; bananas from Ceneral America; vegetable oils from the Philippines, Nigeria, West Africa, the Netherlands East Indies, and other parts of the world; rubber and latex from the Straits Settlements, Fed Malay States, Netherlands East Indies, and C textile materials from Uruguay, Argentina, Australi New Zealand; cotton from India and Egypt, jute India; hemp and choir from the Philippines; coffe Brazil and Nigeria; hides and skins, principall Argentina and India; china clay from England a and steel manufactures from Belgium, the Nethe and Germany. Although exports from Boston wer tined for 44 countries, the United Kingdom, Ita Japan were the three leading countries of the 11 h that took more than 90% of the total.

In Boston's intercoastal trade, the principal p loading in the order of their importance were San cisco, which shipped about one fourth of the East movement, Los Angeles, and Portland, Oregon traffic consisted of lumber and logs, canned and fruits, wool, grain, and flour. Of the west-bound more than 75% was received by San Francisco an Angeles. In the coastwise trade, there was daily to New York, semi-weekly to Philadelphia, Balt Norfolk, Savannah, and Charleston, and four or fi ings weekly to Gulf ports. While all types of ma tured articles were handled outbound, the north movement consisted of wool, cotton, foodstuffs, food, pulp paper and sundry items.

Steamship Lines

Serving this extensive trade in the normal p period were 54 lines. Thirty-nine of these were esta companies engaged in foreign trade. Boston was of call for 15 lines operating in domestic com Among the lines which call Boston home are the Steamship Division of the Eastern Gas and Fuel ciates, the Sprague Line, Eastern Steamship C several subsidiaries of the United Fruit Co.

Mystic is now operating eleven of its own col the coal service along the Atlantic Coast, between ton Roads and Eastern Gas and Fuel's coke p Philadelphia, New Haven and Everett, and the Ne land Coal & Coke Company's coal docks at Pro R. I., and Charlestown and Beverly, Mass. Sixtee vessels, four of which are in the coal service, are o by the company as agents for the War Shipping A tration. In normal times the Eastern Lines carri lions of passengers and even more tons of cargo out of Boston, New York, Nova Scotia, New Bru Virginia, Nassau, and more distant ports. Bec vessels are still under the jurisdiction of the WS for the future are being held in abeyance. Some vessels of the Sprague Line are now being oper charter from the WSA, and a regular service i maintained between Boston, New York, Phila Baltimore, Norfolk and South American ports in Uruguay, and the Argentine.

Though the immediate present is uncertain, it is able to expect that these and other lines will soo full operation. And they will be needed to ha



Tobin of Massachusetts accepts keys to Castle Island al from Maj.-Gen. Douglas L. Weart, divisional com- for New England of the Corps of Engineers. With re Judge James R. Nolan (right), chairman of the board Port of Boston Authority, and Maj.-Gen. Clarence H. retired), newly appointed director of the port authority.

tput in manufactured and agricultural products of England and the Middle West. In the meantime is aware of this trade potential and is busily pre- for the job ahead. A design for the future is in rking with new dredging, new wharves, new equip- nd a newly constituted port authority.

The New Port of Boston Authority

damental in the reconstruction of the port and in termination to make it second to none in America present Port of Boston Authority, with Maj. Gen. ce H. Kells (retired) as Director and Andrew F. s Asst. Director and Secretary. Though newly ted to his post, Gen. Kells is no stranger to Boston. imax of his 30-year career in the army, during he rose from the rank of private, found him in of Boston's Port of Embarkation. Subsequently the same post at San Francisco and New York.

l view of Boston harbor with principal piers in the background.



Holding the rank of Colonel, Kells assumed command of the Boston Port of Embarkation on October 3, 1942, and immediately began the development of the historic port to its place as the second largest port of embarkation in the country. Four months later, his work was recognized by President Roosevelt, who nominated him to the rank of Brigadier General.

The Port of Boston, under his direction, attracted the largest volume of Army business it had ever known. His introduction of new methods of cargo handling, including off-shore loading, greatly increased efficiency and cut down costs of shiploading and "turn-around time."

In 1943, he was able to report that "Boston leads all other Army Ports in efficient use of longshoremen employed in ship-loading due to the splendid cooperation received from labor." By September of 1943, with 768 fewer civilian employees than in the same month of 1942, there had been an increase of 47.9 percent in tonnage handled per man.

Greater Boston Development Committee

An important factor in the expansion and modernization of the Port of Boston has been the Greater Boston Development Committee, a private organization composed of a membership which represents the leading business and financial companies of Boston. The Committee of which Jay R. Benton, President of Boston Mutual Life Insurance Co., is chairman, was formed in 1945 to obtain the legislation which would permit the revitalization and reorganization of the Port Authority so that the Port of Boston could be developed under competent directorship and could re-establish its place as a port. After the passage of this legislation it was felt that there were other needed improvements in the Greater Boston area which could be sponsored by committee endeavors. Hence the committee has obtained a staff and is undertaking to spearhead action for bringing into being physical improvements in metropolitan Boston.

As a longer range program the Committee has for its aim the formation of a master plan for the region to be obtained not by its own deliberate planning but by combing out and drawing together existing proposals for the region which have been presented at various times by several local planning agencies. The Committee will attempt to bring into agreement differences of opinion and to obtain general support for the agreed proposals. As there are many obvious problems pressing for immediate solution, it is felt that attention should be directed to these at once without waiting for the completed plan. Among these are traffic congestion relief. The Committee sponsored a 4-point program for action to obtain improvements for relief of traffic congestion.

Other agencies have worked no less valiantly for the development of Boston as a port of world importance. The Maritime Association of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, with Richard L. Bowditch as chairman of the governing board and Frank S. Davis as manager, has done much to disseminate factual data about the port and its facilities.

It published last month the 1946 edition of the "Port Book." The activities of the Massachusetts Committee for Port Development, headed by Ralph E. Flanders, President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, were instrumental in bringing about the legislation necessary to create a new port authority.

Boston Harbor

Boston is the nearest major American shipping center to both European and South American ports and has one of the deepest main ship channels on the Atlantic Coast, with open navigation throughout the year. Located on the ocean, it is unnecessary for vessels to be piloted long distances to their berths. These natural advantages were undoubtedly important in making Boston during the war the nation's second largest port of embarkation. When the war started she was in second place as a passenger port.

The harbor proper comprises an area of about 47 sq. miles, exclusive of islands, and has a water frontage of more than 140 miles, of which about seven miles has a depth of 35 ft. or more. Some 258 piers and wharves provide 157,054 linear ft. of berthing space.

Terminal Facilities

Originally the commerce of the port was to a tent handled at piers of the city waterfront pro included some of the earliest on the Atlantic Co are now normally used for coastwise and lo traffic. The bulk of the port's commerce through federal, commonwealth, or privat facilities.

Among the chief of these is the Army Base b federal government at a cost of some 28 millio and now operated by the Boston Tidewater Term An eight-story warehouse, one-third of a mile 126 ft. wide, provides a total floor area of 1,651, The wharf shed is 1,638 ft. long, 100 ft. wid a floor area of 360,000 sq. ft. Two pier sheds by 100 ft. and three stories high have a total of 580,000 sq. ft. The terminal is equipped wi cargo handling devices and provides berthing nine large vessels with a depth of water alongsid at m.l.w. Tracks of the N. Y., N. H. & H. which extend the entire length of the termin direct transfer of cargo between vessels and c



Boston's great Fish Pier represents the largest waterfront industry of its kind in the world.

There are several channels of entrance from the sea to President Roads, a deep-water anchorage. Broad Sound North Channel leads from the Sound to the Roads from northeastward. It has been dredged 35 ft. deep and 1,500 ft. wide, and is now deepened to 40 ft. in a width of 900 to 1,100 ft. Broad Sound South Channel leads from Broad Sound westerly and southwesterly to the Roads. It has been dredged 30 ft. deep and 1,200 ft. wide. The Narrows is the channel leading into the harbor from southeastward. It has been dredged to 27 ft. and a width of 1,000 ft. All are well marked. The Main Ship Channel extends from the Roads to Charlestown Navy Yard and to the Chelsea North, Meridian Street and Charles River Bridges. It has been dredged to a depth of 35 ft., m.l.w., and 1,200 ft. wide to the bridges. From the Roads to Commonwealth Pier No. 1, East Boston, it has been deepened to 40 ft. for a breadth of 600 ft., widening to 1200 ft. at the bend in the channel just north of Commonwealth Pier No. 5, South Boston.

Commonwealth Pier No. 5, owned by the C wealth of Massachusetts, is a two-story structur and concrete with a floor area of 600,000 sq. ft. a ing space for five large vessels. A portion of the u is especially designed and equipped for overseas traffic. Six tracks, running nearly the entire the pier, connect with the New Haven Railroad.

These facilities are located in the South Bosto the harbor as are also Piers 2 and 4, with berth for six vessels, of the N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad great Boston Fish Pier, on which converges a ma of the North Atlantic fishing industry.

Notable in the total picture are the merchan lumber-handling facilities of the Wiggin Te Located on the Boston & Maine Railroad a Wharf, the terminal provides berthing space deep-draught vessels, 600,000 sq. ft. of storage s fireproof warehouse, and a covered pier 800 ft. 145 ft. wide with a depth of water alongside of

m.l.w. Five giant Gantry cranes and a fleet of iers are capable of handling more than 2,000,000 of lumber per day.

ston & Albany Railroad, the New England arm w York Central System, has been important to of Boston since 1841, when it first began reight and passenger service between New Eng- the West. Its main line, 199 miles, is double l the way between Boston and Albany, where it New York Central's main line. Its heavy ffic requires an average of 15 trains in and out daily, to and from Buffalo and points west.

ston & Albany is one of the major handlers of import freight. In connection with this heavy maintains a foreign freight traffic office, staffed rts, in Boston. Its main port terminal at East vers 43.32 acres and is on the main ship canal. r large piers and a grain elevator which is the New England. Notable among the terminal's s a huge warehouse, seven stories high of brick on.

ilroad, in conjunction with the New York Cen- es to the port heavy freight shipments of coal, iron, and steel. Westbound freight is mainly ured goods and import shipments of all kinds. on to its heavy freight traffic, the Boston & the main passenger route between New Eng- the West, the railroad operating eight eastbound westbound trains a day in and out of Boston om Buffalo and points west.

rine Terminal is supported by its Beacon Park he main line, with a capacity of 2,058 cars and East Boston, with a capacity of 1,205 cars, in o other yards along the line. The New York ystem has recently expanded its Foreign Freight epartment and expects that with its world-wide s its import and export traffic through the Port will materially increase within the next few

oston and Maine waterfront facilities at Boston ated by the Mystic Terminal Company, a ned subsidiary of the railroad, and consists of s in the Charlestown District, one, Hoosac ing on the north bank at the mouth of the iver and west of the United States Navy Yard; Mystic Wharf, is situated east of the Navy Yard uth and on the south bank of the Mystic River. osac Docks there is a grain elevator with a of 1,000,000 bu., together with a gallery and unning grain to vessels. The Mystic Wharf ent includes five piers, a grain elevator, a coal g plant and a scrap dock, together with sup- ards.

ers at Mystic Wharf are numbered 46 to 50 and otal length of 4,481 ft. for berthing of vessels. sheds have a total first floor area of 513,438 d the sheds at Piers 46 and 50 have a second floor area of 102,105 sq. ft. The grain elevator has a capacity of 500,000 bushels, and grain from the elevator can be delivered to vessels at Piers 48 or 49.

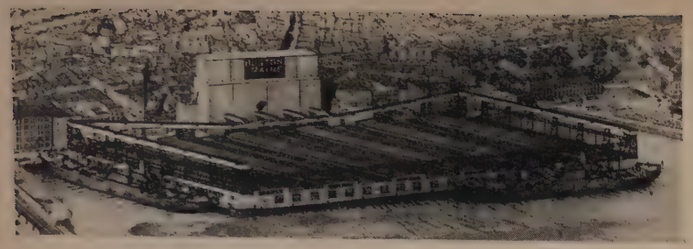
The Massachusetts Legislature recently authorized purchase of the lands and buildings covering the area from Piers 46 to 50, inclusive. The plan is to dismantle Pier 46, as well as the end of Pier 47, and to build Pier 46 from its present length of 880 ft. to 1,080 ft. so as to provide for the berthing of two vessels alongside Pier 46 and one on the end. When this new pier has been built it will provide a usable floor area in Pier 46 of 454,500 sq. ft., as against the present area of 264,840 sq. ft., and will make it possible to handle three Victory or C-3 ships.

A modern coal handling plant with five discharging towers is located on the south shore of the Mystic River west of Pier 50 and is now leased to the Mystic Coal Dock, Inc. In addition to coal, this plant handles other bulk cargoes, such as phosphate rock and sulphur. At the scrap dock are two electric gantry cranes, owned and operated by the Jarka Corporation of Boston. These can be used with either clam shell or magnet for handling steel, ores, and other bulk materials between cars and vessels. The supporting yard at Mystic Wharf is located south of the coal plant and scrap dock and has a capacity of 400 cars. Additional storage capacity for cars is available at the classification yards in East Somerville, about 1½ miles from the extreme end of Mystic Wharf and somewhat nearer Hoosac Wharves.

The Hoosac Terminal

The proposed Hoosac Tunnel Dock Terminal which the Port of Boston Authority has under consideration is on the site of the old Hoosac Tunnel Docks of the Boston and Maine Railroad, built many years ago and now in large part demolished. The new terminal will be a single-story monitor-type pier shed on a concrete deck supported on piles and solid fill. The pier is approximately 950 ft. long and 560 ft. deep, the long dimension extending along the bulkhead line of the north bank of the Charles River from the Navy Yard to the bridge between Boston and Charlestown. The pier will provide four berths for ships of the Victory type, one on either side and two along the front. The aprons on either side are 25 ft. in width and each will have a flush railroad track for the direct handling of cargo between ships and cars. Within the shed are four depressed tracks for the handling of cargo between shed and cars at car floor level.

The pier shed will have a structural steel frame with widely spaced columns and a minimum headroom clearance of 15 ft., will be provided under the roof trusses. Burton posts and ample doors will be provided for the handling of cargo. Grain conveyor galleries with direct connections to the present grain elevators of the Boston and Maine Railroad will be built along both sides of the pier shed for the handling of grain to ships. At these berths consideration is also being given to facilities for unloading grain from ships. Within the shed, fire walls will be provided, with fire doors for access between the



Perspective view of the proposed new Hoosac Tunnel Docks as drawn up by the Boston engineering firm of Fay, Spofford & Thorndike.

various sections of the pier structure and fire stops will be provided beneath the pier deck. Along the street on the northerly side of the pier there will be continuous doors for the receiving and loading freight handled by trucks. Ramps onto the pier from the roadway will also be provided for trucks.

The pier will be served from the principal freight yards of the Boston and Maine Railroad at its Boston terminal and ample roadways for truck traffic to and from the terminal are proposed.

The four berths will have a depth of 35 ft. at mean low water in the initial stage but with provision that the depth may be increased to 40 ft. if found advisable in the future.

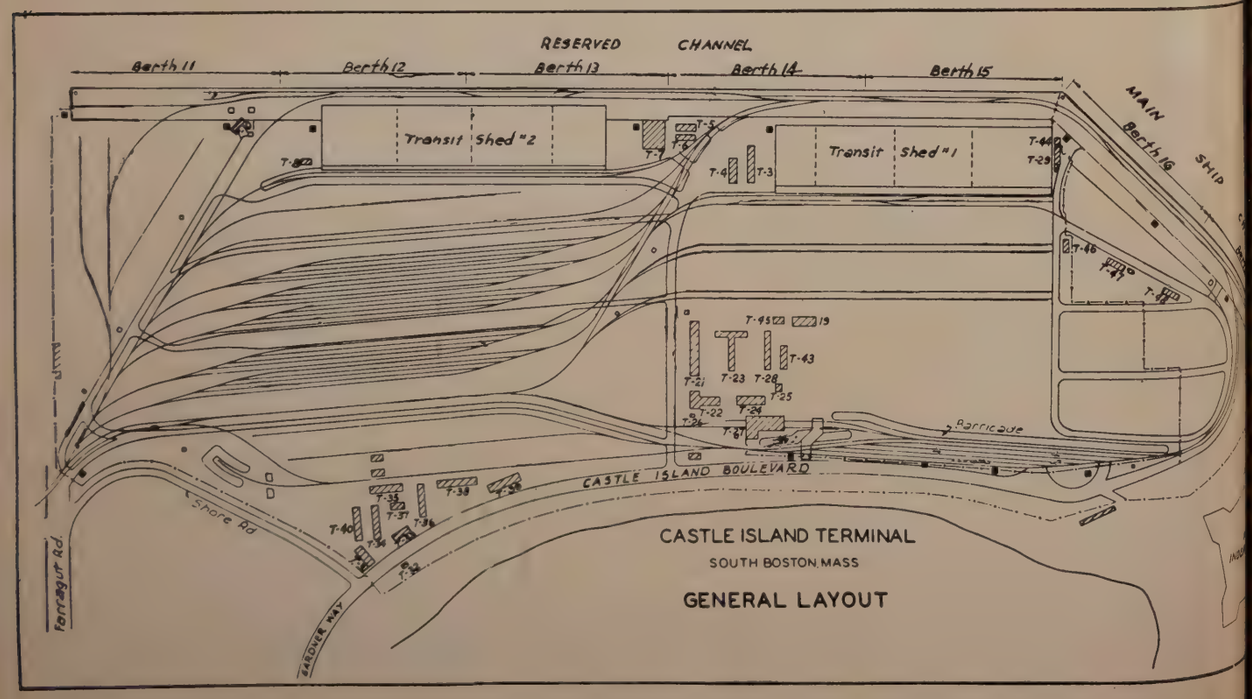
Castle Island Terminal

Monday, June 24, 1946, Maj. Gen. D. L. Weart, New England Division Engineer, at a public ceremony officially turned over the keys of the $15,000,000 ocean terminal at Castle Island to Governor Maurice J. Tobin. This simple act completed the final step in a miracle of construction performed by the Corps of Engineers. What was formerly a city dump is now one of the nation's best ocean going terminals. Each individual employee of the New England Division and especially the Boston Office made a personal contribution to this fine

C. J. Maney Construction Company started the wharf, railroad facilities and other appurte 1942. The Aberthaw Construction Company with the erection of a transit shed, A. L. Jacobs the hoist building, Automatic Sprinkler Corpo America performed their specialty, Arundel C and the Packard Dredging Company compl dredging, J. E. Bennett Company put up anoth shed, Frankini Construction Company built building, Underwood Machine Company put in



Above: A wide apron with ample trackage makes vessel turnaround at Castle Island. Below: Plan of terminal showing pier sheds and rail storage yards.



and Yeomans-O'Connell Company fenced the oject in. The work of these companies and bcontractors provided a weekly income to thou- local families. Captain Bob Gardner was the first ineer. He was assisted by Jack Deery, who later he resident engineer and completed the construc- ebruary, 1943.

Island Terminal is situated between Pleasure the Reserved Channel, in the north-and-south between Fort Independence and Farragut Road, ast-west axis.

rminal consists of a large filled area of approxi- ,500,000 sq. ft. of land, on which has been con-



cules, formerly the Maritime Commission's *Port* is one of the newest additions to Boston's fleet of

approximately 15 miles of railway trackage, a t type wharf 4,130 ft. long, two large loading alling 700,000 sq. ft. of floor area, a 70-ton stiff- ck, 33 temporary type buildings, several large, il storage areas, and the usual roads, lights, ommunication and service facilities associated odern ocean terminal.

ticular interest to those who book traffic through land are Transit Sheds Nos. 1 and 2. Each is me size—180 by 840 ft.—but No. 1 is of brick orced concrete construction built on a field of iles, while No. 2 is of wood frame temporary ion. Transit Shed No. 1 has a reinforced con- r 8 in. thick, supported on a substantial system . An exterior platform 24½ ft. wide extends ength of the shed on the wharf side and is con- of bithulitic paving on fill over a length of iately 118 ft. and 8-in. reinforced concrete over of approximately 722 ft. And on the side away water is an exterior platform 15 ft. 9 in. wide einforced concrete running the full length of with a canopy. The shed has end walls of brick ides are enclosed by overhead sliding doors with wood frame construction above. Three 12-in. brick fire walls running athwart the shed divide it into four bays. Ventilation is provided by 15 wood louver vents above the tar-and-gravel roof. One of the bays, 120 by 180 ft., is insulated and has its own heating plant in a boiler room in an outer corner of the structure. Heat is circulated by ten unit heaters and blowers.

The No. 2 Transit Shed is built with approximately 49 ft. of its width supported on the wharf and the remaining 131 ft. is of 8-in. reinforced concrete on driven piles. Doorways 17 ft. wide and 14 ft. high are constructed in alternate 20-ft. bays in each side of the building and three doors of the same dimensions are provided in the west end of the building.

Boston in the Air Picture

Previous to World War II, many small landing fields and airports were in use, to a limited extent, for personal flying or for flying schools, but there were none in the region, not even the East Boston Airport, which could be classified as a Class III airport. All were limited by area and length of runways and it was not until World War II that airport development began in the Commonwealth on a comprehensive and systematic basis.

Several types of flying activities are taking place in this area. Each has its special requirements and will demand airports functionally designed for certain specific uses. This is in sharp contrast to the former use of Boston's Logan International Airport which carried on mixed operations. Scheduled airlines, privately owned and operated planes, chartered and sightseeing flights and military aircraft have used this field and intermittent traffic of all sorts used it temporarily.

Scheduled air service in the region is, at present, limited to that at Logan, supplemented by the Bedford Airport as an alternate. Services are provided by the following airline companies:

Domestic	*Transoceanic*
American Airlines	American Oveaseas Airlines
Eastern Air Lines	Pan-American World Airways
Northeast Airlines	(Certified but not yet scheduled)
Transcontinental and Western Air	Trans World Airline
United Air Lines	

Indications are that airline schedules will become so numerous that use of the Logan International Airport will approach capacity in the not-too-distant future.

Supplementary Services

Boston's long history as a seaport has operated to create a dependable labor force which is skilled and efficient. Stevedoring is with many families a trade passed on from father to son for several generations. The story is told of a vessel which arrived at the port to take on cargo with 300 tons already stowed on deck by the longshoremen of another port. The Boston workers quickly found space below deck for the 300 tons and made room for the additional cargo. Two excellent tugboat companies are adequately equipped to handle the present and future com-

merce of the port. The Boston Tow Boat Company, a subsidiary of Eastern Gas and Fuel Associates, has recently acquired from the Maritime Commission the first of four powerful new Diesel tugs.

Ship Construction and Repair Facilities

Few American ports can boast of a more complete and competent set-up for ship construction and repair. Bethlehem Steel Company operates two ship repair yards in Boston Harbor, the Atlantic Yard and the Simpson Yard, both in East Boston, conveniently located on the main ship channel.

The Simpson Yard, easternmost of the two units, has recently been expanded into one of the largest and most modern repair plants on the Atlantic Coast, fully equipped to repair and service ocean and coast-wise vessels and capable of handling major reconversion jobs. Included among the facilities are a 20,000-ton all-steel floating dry dock, largest in the region, a 10,000-ton all-steel dock, and two graving docks, one having extreme length of 246 ft. and the other 476 ft. The yard can supply water, electricity and steam to berthed vessels, an advantage which few yards offer.

The near-by Atlantic Yard has for many years maintained a large part of the New England fishing fleet and specializes in the repair of harbor craft. It has a 5,000-ton all-steel floating dry dock, and three marine railways for craft up to 238 ft. long.

Both yards have a number of long piers of latest construction, with ample crane facilities. Many of the shops, which include those normally found in large repair yards, have recently been rebuilt and equipped with the latest machines and tools. A unique service offered by both yards is a fleet of power boats with generators for welding and other dock-side repairs, and vacuum barges for oil cleaning and storage which can operate anywhere in the harbor.

The Quincy Yard of Bethlehem Steel Company, for many years known as the Fore River Yard, has had a long and distinguished career in the construction of ships of all types, ranging from trawlers and ferry boats to luxury liners, aircraft carriers, and battleships. Today, with its eleven ways, the largest capable of accommodating vessels 1,000 ft. long, it can build any type of vessel, commercial or naval. The three outfitting piers and one wet basin with overhead cranes at the Quincy Yard have an average depth of 30 ft. at mean low water, and can berth ships up to 1,000 ft. in length. Crane capacities range up to 350 tons.

Many of the functions of Bethlehem's Shipbuilding Division are centralized at Quincy. Among these is Central Technical Department, a research and deve ment unit staffed by naval architects, marine engine metallurgists and trained technicians, familiar with e phase of the shipbuilding art. The large turbine sho Quincy is turning out turbines both for the compa own yards and for other shipbuilders. Some of the u lately completed have been for new design, for e high temperatures and pressures. Auxiliary equipm such as condensers, evaporators, pumps, oil and w separators and other marine products are manufactu here.

In addition to the conventional shop facilities, the y is equipped with many extra large machine tools, forg capacity for billets up to 18 in., stress relieving and h treating furnaces capable of handling large assembli X-ray, gamma rays, and magnetic power inspection, fo dries for bronze and aluminum castings, large galvaniz tanks, facilities for controlled welding of high qua such as used in the fabrication of high pressure ste piping and in repairing castings subject to high stres and equipment for thermit welding of large forgings a castings and for metal spraying, both ferrous and n ferrous.

The United Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Corporation facilities for general repairs on vessels. The yard is East Boston and can provide berthing for four boats to 150 ft. long and 18 ft. draft. A marine railway is being built which will handle vessels up to 600 tons. T railway will be able to haul up vessels at low tide. T company is also in the process of building an elevator to handle boats up to 90 ft. long.

The technical staff consists of a naval architect, mari electrical and mechanical engineers. The shops inclu the following: machine, welding, diesel engine repa sheet metal, electrical, pipe, carpenter, painting, plate a angle, and mold loft. The machine shop is equipped handle all necessary repair work and also manufactu winch equipment for fishing trawlers. The Diesel eng shop does overhauling and repair of diesel engines. T electrical shop is equipped for repair of electrical s board equipment, including rewinding of marine and c mercial motors and generators. The electrical departm also constructs new marine switchboards and con equipment.

The United Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Corporation affiliated and on the same premises with the Bromd Manufacturing Co., Inc. The latter company has b manufacturing winch equipment for the fishing fleet the past twenty years.





Also announcing the birth of Apostle Bunk!

Next Operation is on

TUES. JULY 16

6 P.M., Room 2
Harvard Club

If you can spare one more Christmas Annual for E.W. Parsons, he would appreciate it? he lives 399 Hammond St., Chestnut Hill.

Skip.



LAST CALL
FOR DINNER

TUES. NIGHT

H. CLUB

6 P.M.

ARTHUR W. COOLIDGE
PRESIDENT

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
MASSACHUSETTS SENATE
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

16 July, 1946

noted WM

Mr. Jay R. Benton
Greater Boston Development Committee, Inc.
80 Federal Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear ~~Mr. Benton~~ Jay:

Thank you for your very kind letter of appreciation.

I was extremely glad of the opportunity to assist your very fine group in laying the groundwork for the future of the Port of Boston and the welfare of the State at Large.

With every best wish, I am,

Sincerely,

Arthur W. Coolidge

President of the Senate



Tuesday, July 16, 1946

After breakfast of orange juice - cornflakes. Minced ham on Toast and iced Coffee. Peter took me up to Cushing Square to leave a large pile of magazines at the "Citizen" office for the Middlesex Hospital. Also picked up a couple of suits at Bernstein's. To the Square with Frances and so to the office. Everett Lane back today after a three weeks vacation, and that is a help. Worked all morning. And out at 11.45 - to the Old Corner Bookstore and selected 20. 25 worth of Books to be shipped up to the Guild-Hall Library. To the Parker House - Luncheon Meeting of the officers of the Boston Committee with the Port Authority - Back to the Office at 2.30 Worked to 5. left at 5.30 - to Park Street - took the Subway to Mass. Avenue and to the Harvard Club. Attended the dinner of

Continued Fair,

The low-pressure area which travelled through Maine and is now centered near Newfoundland intensified rapidly to accelerate the southwest flow of cold air into New England. The forward edge of the cold area was well south of New England early yesterday. The turbulence set up by the invading cold air died out within a few hours after its arrival. The threatening clouds and the gusty winds associated with the cold front diminished as the cold area became settled. Although the sky cleared early in the day, the cold northerly winds kept the temperature from rising much over 70 in most places.

The high-pressure area over the Great Lakes region is increasing in size and strength, and will help maintain the northerly flow of air over New England which was initiated by the passage of the low. After the high passes through there will be a shift to southerly winds. However, slow movement is indicated. So, fair cool weather is the outlook for New England for today, tonight and tomorrow.

tea Apostles of Good Cheer —
another good time. to Belmont
in a taxi and to bed at 11.



COMPANY "B"
NINTH TRAINING BATTALION
SECOND TRAINING REGIMENT, I.R.T.C.
FORT McCLELLAN, ALABAMA

Wednesday
July 17.

Dear Mom and Dad,

Well, here is the big news! I can apply for a discharge August 10th. About 10 days after that time I will be sent to a separation center on orders. Well, that's the whole thing in a nut shell.

Here is some more big news. Next week I'll probably go to Fort Bragg in North Carolina. They are going to rebuild this camp, and the company will be transported en masse to Bragg. I'm going in the advance party to open things up at Bragg. The remainder of the company will join us in about a month.

Saw a pretty good film the other night, Dorothy McGuire in TILL THE END OF TIME.

In the fall I plan on going to school in New York under the GI Bill of Rights. I've written to the New School for Social Research, but as yet have not heard from them. I can tell you more on this later.

I have to make out some clearance papers now...

Love,

Nick

CITY OF BOSTON
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY HALL

JAMES M. CURLEY
Mayor

July 15, 1946

Jay Benton, President
Boston Mutual Life Ins. Co.
100 Congress Street,
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Friend:

A meeting of the Mayor's Veterans Emergency Housing Committee has been called for Wednesday, July 17, 1946, at 1:00 P.M. at the Mayor's Office, School Street, Boston.

Kindly make every effort to attend.

Sincerely,

James M. Curley
Mayor

THE BOSTON MUTUAL LIFE REPORTS 'ORDINARY' GAIN

Sales for the First Five Months of 1946 Were $6,051,820—An Increase of 101% Over 1945

Ordinary sales for the first five months of 1946 were $6,051,820, an increase of more than 101% over the same period in 1945 and almost equal to the Ordinary sales for the entire year of 1945.

The gain in Ordinary insurance to May 31 is greater than the gain in Industrial insurance and has sufficed to break the old ratio that has stood in this company for a great many years, a 2 to 1 ratio of Industrial insurance in force to Ordinary insurance in force. The new combined total in $144,710,862. This is the highest in Boston Mutual history and the proportion is $93,618,059 Industrial and $51,092,803 Ordinary.

Wednesday
July 17, 1946

Dear Mr. Benton,

Returning home after several days in Maine word awaited me of my acceptance into Boston University School of Law. Much of the credit is due you for the splendid letter of recommendation that you wrote for me. I sincerely appreciate it.

With kind regards.

Laurie Foley.

BOSTON MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

DIRECTORS' MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 1946 - 1:45 P.M.

O R D E R O F B U S I N E S S

General: -

1. Reading of the records of the last Directors' Meeting held on June 19th.

2. Reading of the records of the last meeting of the Finance Committee held on June 19th and ratification of actions taken by the Committee.

3. Ratification of ad interim security transactions:

Purchase:

$1,000 shares, Commonwealth & Southern Corp. $6. Pfd. Stock
Purchased 6/25/46 of the following houses:

100 sh. @ 123¼	E. F. Hutton & Co.
200 sh. @ 123	Kidder, Peabody & Co.
100 sh. @ 123½	Salomon Bros. & Hutzler
100 sh. @ 124	Salomon Bros. & Hutzler
100 sh. @ 123	Graham, Parsons & Co.
100 sh. @ 123	E. F. Hutton & Co.
100 sh. @ 123	Spencer, Trask & Co.
100 sh. @ 124¼	Tucker, Anthony & Co.
100 sh. @ 124	Tucker, Anthony & Co.

Approved by Finance Committee 6/19/46.

The following bonds were called:

$15,000 Columbia Gas & Electric Corp. (Deb.) 5s due 1/15/61
Called, with interest to 7/15/46 @ 102
Deposited for collection 7/8/46
Purchased in 1931 through Otis & Co. @ 97 3/4
Actual Profit on Call Price $528.34

$2,000 Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates 3½s due 7/1/65
(1st & Coll. Trust)
Called @ 102.10, with interest to 7/1/46
Deposited for collection 7/8/46
Purchased in 1945 @ 102.17 from Kidder, Peabody & Co.
Actual Profit on Call Price $.12

$24,000 Southern Natural Gas Co. 3¼s due 4/1/56
(1st Pipe Line Sinking Fund)
Called @ 104½, with interest to 7/29/46
Deposited for collection 7/8/46
Purchased in 1941 as follows:
9M Halsey, Stuart & Co.
5M Arthur Perry & Co.
10M Coffin & Burr (all @ 103)
No Profit or Loss, carried @ Call Price

$5,000 Penn Central Light & Power Co. 4½s due 11/1/77 (1st mtge.)
Called @ 104, with interest to 11/1/46
Deposited for collection 7/8/46
Purchased in 1928 @ 95 from W. C. Langley & Co.
Actual Profit on Call Price $412.34

Order of Business (continued)

4. Report by Mr. Lane on the status of negotiations with the C.I.O. on the retirement-pension program.

5. Report concerning William C. Johnstone, Actuary.

6. Report by Edmund M. Wright, Superintendent of Agencies.

7. Report by the Chairman of the Real Estate Committee, Judge Leo H. Leary.

LOCAL REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS

Votes necessary to ratify action by Finance Committee:

8. MORTGAGE LOAN TO: Kenyon B. Ely PROPERTY: Westford Rd., Concord, Mass.

Finance Committee voted to grant an F.H.A. insured mortgage of $10,400 for 20 years at 4½% per annum.

Single family frame dwelling
12 acres of land
Appraisal: $13,000

9. MORTGAGE LOAN TO: Ethel D. Reed PROPERTY: 56 Hall Ave., Somerville, Mass

Finance Committee voted to grant loan of $6,000 for 10 years at 4% per annum, payable monthly. $25 monthly on the principal and privilege of paying up to $500 in any one year, after the third year, 1/12 taxes monthly.

Two family frame dwelling
4970 Square feet of land
Appraisal: $9,000

10. MORTGAGE LOAN TO: Louis F. Langione PROPERTY: 27-29 Charles Street, Watertown, Mass.

Amount of loan, $6,000 for term of 20 years with 4% interest, per annum, payable monthly. Amortization, taxes, insurance and water, payable monthly as provided under Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, Section 501.

$3,000 of the loan to be guaranteed by the Veterans Administration

Two family frame dwelling
4473 square feet of land
Appraisal: $7,500

11. Monthly Budget report.

12. No meeting of the Board in August.

BOSTON MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 1946

Cash on hand, July 16, 1946	$873,840.77
Necessary Operating Funds	250,000.00
Available for Investment	$623,840.77
Bonds called August 1 (50M Old Ben Coal) (6s 1948 @ 101)	50,500.00

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Report concerning the departure of Mr. Skinner.

2. Request of the Actuarial Department for additional equipment.

3. Consider the investment of available cash.

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Going Home

The time of day I like the best
. . . Is when my work is done . . .
And I can leave my duties in . . .
The setting of the sun . . . When
I can hurry down the street . . .
To board the trolley car . . . That
takes me to the dwelling where
. . . My wife and children are
. . . For that is when I look ahead
. . . To hours gay and bright . . .
Surrounded by my family . . .
Throughout the coming night . . .
And I may have to work at home
. . . According to my share . . .
And let our youngsters have their
way . . . Of getting in my hair
. . . But there is nothing quite so
good . . . Or comforting to me
. . . As going home to be with
my . . . Beloved family.

Mid-July Weather Has Cold Shoulder

Br-r-r-r-r! Mid-July weather, unheeding of spiraling, inflationary prices, took a sharp nose-dive today, bringing below freezing temperatures at one place on Cape Cod, and new lows at other New England points.

Then, shooting upward almost as quickly as butter and beef soared the day after OPA controls were dropped, the 29 to 41 degree recordings of early this morning had hit the middle 70's, with prospects of climbing still higher. All of which gave more credit to that old saying: "If you don't lke New England weather wait a minute."

For vacationists, the weather was "ideal"—dry, brisk mornings and evenings, and warm during the afternoon.

But for the farmers of New England it was causing much concern. No rain is in sight before Saturday, according to United States meteorologists, and dryness is hitting backyard gardeners especially, since many of the larger truck farms are provided with supplementary irrigation systems.

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Wednesday, July 17, 1946
Quite tired this morning. For Breakfast - Orange juice - wheatgerm Scrambled Eggs & Bacon - Toast - Butter - Iced Coffee. to the Square with Frances. Subway - Office and work. The painters are working on the outside window trim of the home office Building. Out at 12.30 with Everett Jane. To Stephen's on Boylston St. - Filet of sole. Tartar Sauce Roll Butter. Iced Coffee. Back to the office. Directors' Meeting followed by a meeting of the Finance Committee. Out at 3.45 - left at 4.25. To Belmont in Chester Swan's car with Leo Legry. Front Porch. Glass of Iced Coffee. Dinner at 6.30 Creamed Halibut Bordure - French fried potatoes String Beans. Tomato, Cucumber, Lettuce Salad - Rye Bread - Butter - Milk. Sliced Peaches, Whipped Cream & Tea in Shell. Upstairs at 10 o'clock -

Telephone Center



Cram and Ferguson, Architects

Architect's drawing of the 14-story building of the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company to be erected on a lot bounded by Franklin, Congress, Pearl, and High Streets in Boston at a cost of $18,000,000.

ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE BOSTON MUTUAL.

Milk Street. Some special equipment will remain in the Milk Street location, but with the inauguration of dial-operated facilities in the new building, the entire Milk Street operating force will move to the new quarters.

All space left at the Milk Street offices will be converted ultimately to administrative uses.

The Franklin Strect equipment will become part of a nation-wide toll-dialing network where individual dialers in any part of the country may reach telephones anywhere else in the country by individual dialings.

In this respect, company officials point out that telephone users in the Boston area are among the first in the country to obtain the benefits of fast, modern, long-distance services.

Boston to Have A $18,000,000 Phone Building

By W. Clifford Harvey
Staff Writer of
The Christian Science Monitor

Industrial expansion struck again in the heart of traffic-bound Boston, today, promising to add to the skyline a 14-story, central telephone building containing the latest in long-distance dialing facilities, while taking away one of the city's largest, outdoor, automobile parking places.

The proposed $18,000,000 project, pivot for the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company's $200,000,000 postwar, modernization program, will rise shortly on the 350-foot-square lot bounded by Franklin, Congress, High and Pearl Streets where administrative office space is as hard to get as curb parking.

Today or possibly tomorrow, the company intends to raise signposts over the lot notifying the hundreds of parking motorists that they must look for car storage elsewhere. They will be given from five days' to a week's notice before excavation operations are launched.

Parkers Out

Where the off-street parkers will go has been carefully but vainly considered by Telephone officials, who declared that the required basement space for heavy telephone equipment necessary for extending the long-distance, individual dialing system throughout the company's territory makes parking provisions in the basement impossible.

The new building will pave the way for introducing faster handling of all long-distance connections, with the second installation of a new type of equipment in the United States, and the first such installation since the end of the war. While the 14-story structure will cover only two-thirds of the available land, an ultimate plan contemplates further expansion to 21 stories, utilizing the full lot, company officials said.

Design Simple

The exterior design is simple and in keeping with modern patterns, depending more on good proportions than on ornamentation for architectural effects. The building has been kept to minimum dimensions, company officials stated, for modern telephone facilities and emergency office space requirements approved by the Civilian Production Administration.

Dial switching equipment and operators' switchboards to be housed in the new structure will replace long distance equipment now in the old building at 125

ONSET, July 18—With all the devastating
rce of a blockbuster a terrific gas explosion
illed nine persons in the center of town today,
njured 60 others, many seriously, and blasted
ur buildings into splintered wood and rubble.

Worst Drought in Years Perils State Woods, Farms

With no rain in sight for days, the current New England dry spell was today developing into the worst July drought in years, withering crops and steadily inceasing the fire hazard in parched brush and woodlands.

While the weather bureau's forecasters had held out some hope earlier for showers during the latter portion of the week, the prediction today was for fair weather today and tomorrow—and probably Saturday.

vance weather information to warrant a forecast of any type of precipitation.

Sunny Skies Will Continue

The cold Canadian air mass that slid into New England a few days ago has been very slow in warming up, especially along the coast where easterly winds have helped to keep temperatures at low levels. Night time temperatures have been unusually low for mid-July, and light frost was even reported from the cranberry bogs of southeastern Massachusetts. The night before last the temperature was as low as 30 degrees.

While we shiver here in New England, the Mid - West is being treated to a sizzling heat wave that saw temperatures rise to 104 degrees at a number of places in Kansas yesterday afternoon. It appears that this hot weather will make its way toward us, and it is likely that we will be sweltering again in mid-summer heat by this week-end. This changeable aspect of our New England weather is one of its greatest attractions, even though we may complain about the extremes to which it swings.

Unusually fair weather covers the entire country, with only a few scattered showers reported in the upper Mississippi Valley. This makes the outlook very poor, indeed, for rain in New England during the next few days. Sunny weather will continue for the next two days at least, and though this will suit the vacationists and city dwellers, the farmer would much rather have rain showers to relieve the drought condition that prevails in most of New England.

Thursday,
July 18, 1946

Slept late - what 7.45 - for
breakfast - Orange Juice -
Corn flakes. Escalloped
Halibut - Toast - Butter - Iced
Coffee. Frances stayed home
today to have her tooth fixed.
Ethel took me to the Square
then to the office - work - left
at 11.45 - with Everett Lane
and Wm C Johnstone - by
taxi to the Hotel Curtis.
A Victory Luncheon at the
Roof Garden there. We
had it all to ourselves.
A Buffet Luncheon. Great
and the President's Trophy
to John Quinn — The
Superintendents presented
me a Testimonial Scroll. Nice
thing for them to do. Left at 2.15 -
walked out to Fenway Park. We had
3 Boxes for the Boys — the Game
Red Sox 3 Chicago White Sox 2 —

The blast occurred at 1:10 p. m. after firemen, called to the scene earlier because of leaking gas, had left. Many vacationists ignored police advice to keep away. A spark from a refrigerator unit probably touched off the sudden explosion and lifted the building high into the air, to topple it seconds later onto torn, mangled and even dismembered bodies.

It was roasting hot sitting there in the Sun for two hours. After it was over - walked down back to the Puritan, where Wm Moody's Car was parked. Rode out to Belmont with him + Front Porch. Glass of Iced Coffee. Peter went out to supper - Girls out - Frances prepared the dinner - Cold Roast Chicken. Half Baked Potato - Sliced Tomato - Mayonnaise - Summer Squash - Milk - Raspberries and Cream - Upstairs at 7.15 +

President's Trophy Competition

Luncheon

HONORING

THE SALEM DISTRICT AGENCY

OF THE

BOSTON MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY



Hotel Puritan

JULY EIGHTEENTH NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FORTY SIX

Your President extends a most cordial welcome to the Salem District Agency and Associates who have distinguished themselves by winning the President's Trophy for the year 1946.

John J. Quinn, Superintendent

Assistant Superintendents

Ira A. Jivelekian — Irving M. Miller — Joseph P. Conley

Agents

Michael F. Shinnick — E. Martin Dupray — Harvey L. Cook
Robert T. Patch — Henry A. Rogers — Walter H. Gamans
Edward E. Baldwin — Ambrose J. Orlando — Charles W. Smith
Robert J. Tremblay — Lloyd V. Carreiro — Edward F. Turner
Fred B. Ford — Carlton H. Crafts

GUESTS

Linus M. Callen
Superintendent Roslindale

Edward E. Mackay
Superintendent Cambridge

Foster F. Allen
Superintendent Manchester

Joseph White
Superintendent Boston

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Leo H. Leary
Vice President

Everett H. Lane
Secretary and Treasurer

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Superintendent of Agencies

Lorne J. Peters
Asst. Supt. of Agencies

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Executive Assistant

John W. Paige
Executive Assistant

Alfred Enerud
Auditor

William C. Johnstone
Actuary

William H. Moody
Agency Consultant



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BUFFET LUNCHEON

ROOF GARDEN - HOTEL PURITAN

Luncheon
12 Noon

Red Sox Base
2:30 P

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Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company

HOME OFFICE
160 CONGRESS STREET
BOSTON, MASS.

DISTRICT OFFICE
J. J. QUINN, SUPT.
221 ESSEX STREET
SALEM, MASS.

July 19, 1946.

Mr. Jay R. Benton, President,
Home Office.

Dear Mr. Benton:

The agents and assistant superintendents of Salem and Gloucester join me in thanking you very sincerely for the splendid party and ball game which we all enjoyed Thursday in connection with the presentation of your Victory Trophy to Salem District.

In addition to the enjoyment of the day, everyone prese was favorably impressed by the Home Office officials, whose obvious desire to be friendly and co-operative will be remembered by all of us in the days to come.

We will certainly try hard to remain the leading district of the Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company, and confidently hope that we can do so for a long time.

Respectfully yours,

John J. Quinn

Supt.

Salem, Mass., District Wins Top Boston Mutual Sales Award

Leading the entire Boston Mutual Life's field organization during the 1946 annual president's campaign, the Salem district, spearheaded by returned veterans, carried off top honors on an average per man basis. The large production in the Cape Ann area, and by veterans throughout the whole company, played a big part in bringing the Boston Mutual gain of insurance in force for the first half of 1946 to a higher figure than the whole of 1945.

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Benton Tendered A Testimonial

At a luncheon given at Hotel Puritan, Boston, on July 18, the entire Salem agency staff of the Boston Mutual, to which top honors had gone for leader in the 1946 President's Campaign, presented President Jay R. Benton with a testimonial scroll for all thirty-two districts of the company throughout New England in appreciation of his splendid leadership, friendly association and devotion to the needs of the field men.

John J. Quinn, Salem office superintendent, was presented with the president's trophy by Mr. Benton, this being another feature of the luncheon. The large production in the Cape Ann area, and also by veterans throughout the whole Company, played a big part in bringing the Boston Mutual gain of insurance in force for the first half of 1946 to a higher figure than the whole of 1945.



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Boston Mutual Life Honors Leaders



A group of production leaders of the Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company celebrate their company's large first-half gains at a luncheon at the roof garden of the Hotel Puritan Boston.

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INP by John Murphy



Shattered wreckage of three Onset buildings is removed by a giant crane to permit authorities to seek cause of the devastating explosion that caused death to nine persons and injuries to 75 others in the worst blast in the Cape's history. A broken gas main is believed to have been responsible.



(Photo by Dave Wenzell, Acme-Globe Photographer)

AERIAL PHOTO OF ONSET RUINS CAUSED BY EXPLOSION IN A SPA IN THE CENTER OF TOWN



TEARING AWAY WRECKAGE IN SEARCH FOR VICTIMS OF EXPLOSION

n are shown pulling away debris at the scene of the Onset explosion yesterday. The work was done at feverish pace in hopes of ns trapped in the tangled rubble. In right foreground two men are propping up a section of wall so that it can be carried

The Day After Onset's Worst Disaster





State Guardsman Patrols Debris-Littered Scene of Explosion in Center of Resort

New Books Added to Guildhall Library

The following books have been added to the Guildhall Public Library:

"Aston Kings" by Humphrey

"The Hucksters", Wakeman

"This Side of Innocence", by Caldwell

"Britannia Mews" by Margery Sharp

"The Foxes of Harrow" by Yerby

"Brideshead Revisited" by Evelyn Waugh

"The Practical Cogitator" by Curtis and Greenslet

"Yankee Storekeeper" by R. E. Gould

"Man Eaters of Kumaon" by Jim Corbett

"Farmer Take a Wife" by John Gould

"We Happy Few" by Helen Howe

"Shoot If You Must" by Richard Powell

"The D. A. Breaks A Seal" by Erle Stanley Gardner

"Five Passengers From Lisbon" by M. G. Eberhart

"The World in His Arms" by Rex Beach.

Mercury Reaches 95;

Badly Needed N. E. Rain Not Yet in Sight

The mercury climbed into the 90's in Boston today, with the weatherman predicting warmer weather over the week-end and little chance of any rain to halt ruin of dried-up crops.

Fields and pastures have been burned by the continuous drouth and authorities said if the situation does not change soon the milk supply will fall off. Many crops have already been ruined.

The weatherman said a mass of warm air is moving eastward. In the plains states today temperatures of 100 were reported in many places.

New England's chief worry was over gardens and farms, which have been without rain since July 2. Forest lands in the state are also parched and the menace of fires has become great. Already 15 or 20 fires are reported raging in woods of various sections.

In an effort to help farmers save at least part of their crops the Boston fire department today sent 10,000 feet of hose to the western part of the state. The hose will be used in irrigation work.

Friday, July 19, 1946

More orders tired this morning, but my day started at 6. for breakfast Orange juice - wheat germ Scrambled Eggs - Salt Mackerel - Toast - Butter Iced Coffee. Louis, the gardener busy watering the flower beds and the lawn. Everything is so dry. to the Square with Frances and Peter - Lullaby - office - work - out at 12.30 with Everett + Jane to the Hotel Avery - Fish Chowder - Broiled Scrod, Green Peas. Roll - Butter - Iced Coffee. Lemon Sherbet - to Jordan's got the four diplomas framed for Peter and Nicholas - to the 5th floor for photo prints - to Woolworth's - selected ten books for juveniles to send up to the Guildhall Public Library. to Filene's for duck pants but no go - Back to the office - Worked to 4.20 - to Belmont in Chester Snow's

Warmest July 19 Since 1878----

Car - with Leo Leary - a stop at Griffins - Front Porch - a sultry late afternoon - Dinner - Jellied Consommé Lobster Salad - Upstairs early - [redacted] Bed over by the West Window again -



1921—25 Years Ago—1921

Most severe thunderstorm in years causes heavy damage in Metropolitan area including flooding of lower level of Harvard Square subway station.

Dean Roscoe Pound of Harvard Law School is among first nominees as judges of new Court of International Justice.

Jay R. Benton offers reward for apprehension and conviction of burglar, after second break at his home within a year.

Heat Wave for Week-End

The mercury flirted with the century mark throughout New England yesterday in the hottest weather of the year to date as vacationists applauded and farmers deplored a continuance of the section's longest rainless period in many seasons.

With the temperature touching a record high of 96 at the East Boston station of the weather bureau and 98 in the suburbs, forest wardens from all over the State were called into conference at the State House to map plans for guarding against mid-summer rampages by woodland fires over another dry week end.

The weather bureau promised some relief in the heat, however. It says this morning will be fair and continued hot, probably in the upper 80's, with considerable humidity, but thunder storms are due, with falling temperatures, in the afternoon, and less humidity. Fair and cooler is the prediction for tonight and tomorrow.

Saturday, July 20, 1946

Fagged by the hot weather, slept late and did not stir until 6.30. Breakfast upstairs at 8.30 - Orange juice Corn flakes - Scrambled Eggs with Tomato - Toast - Buttered Coffee - When Frances woke up this morning - her left cheek and eye lid were all swollen up - the tooth she had filled Thursday has backfired - either a fracture or an infection - So she called Ray Andrews. We went down to Harvard Square and she was in the dentist's chair at 9.30 - We put the car in at the Church St. Garage - I used up time by walking around - window shopping, some newspapers at the Greeks, a spray gun at Woolworth's, Rose Bush Poison Spray at a Hardware store - then to the dentist's - Frances just about through + a lot of relief and to go back again Monday morning. Back to the house - Peter and Robert Waite visited

up the Tri-o-gen gas and then sprayed all the pantlers against the arbor and all the Rose Bushes in the Sunny Bank — I cut Back the rose garden flowers that needed to be + Frances, Peter and I had lunch on the front porch at 12.45 — Creamed Chicken on Rice. Small Tomatoes from Hittinger's dipped in French dressing. Rye Bread + Butter — Iced Coffee + Cantaloupe Balls with a slice of lime + Rested all afternoon — listened to the Base Ball Broadcast — Supper on the Porch. Sliced lambs tongue. Potato Salad. Lettuce + tomato Salad — Blue — Berries + Cream. The first part of the night was terrific. What humidity — Kathleen + Jane made such a clatter plus their radio until 11.15 when Frances piped them down + Peter did not get in until 2. A.M.

FIRST WAR PHOTOGRAPH

The photograph above is a study in desolation on one of the most famous battlegrounds of history. It is the "Valley of Death" where, during the Crimean War, the immortal "six hundred" of the Light Brigade charged against Russian cannon. The picture was taken under fire in 1855.



"VALLEY OF DEATH." A remarkable photo of the site where the Light Brigade charged. Cannon balls still litter the ground

News of the Week as Seen by Dugan



DISCUSSION IN THE SOUP

SENATOR WHEELER OF MONTANA GOES DOWN TO DEFEAT IN PRIMARIES, FOLLOWING SHIPSTEAD OF MINNESOTA

GENERAL MIKHAILOVICH VALIANT FOE OF NAZI HORDES IN YUGOSLAVIA PAYS WITH HIS LIFE FOR HIS REFUSAL TO ACCEPT COMMUNISM

SECRETARY OF STATE BYRNES GIVES HIS REPORT TO THE NATION— PLACES BLAME ON REDS

CONSUMERS GUILD OF AMERICA ORGANIZES TO COMBAT INFLATION

SHORTAGE BOSTON, CLEANED SATURDAY NIGHT STANDBY

TOLL OF DEAD HURT IS SUMMER 'S WORST DISASTER

BOSTON POST ALL-STAR TALENT HUNT TREMENDOUS SUCCESS - THOUSANDS ATTEND GAME AT BRAVES FIELD

CONGRESS PASSES BILL GRANTING LOAN TO GREAT BRITAIN

DUGAN

JUST FIFTY YEARS AGO



WHILE his Democratic opponent, William Jennings Bryan stormed all over the country making speeches in the 1896 Presidential campaign, Major William McKinley, the Republican nominee, made an elaborate front-porch campaign in his home town, Canton, O. "Pilgrimages" from all over the country came to listen to him. He delivered 214 front-porch speeches. McKinley is shown here during the campaign addressing the survivors of his old regiment, the 23d Ohio Volunteers, from porch of his Canton home.



JUST 50 years ago, William Jennings Bryan, the "Boy Orator of the Platte," began his first of three races for the Presidency — an unrivaled record of renomination for a losing Presidential candidate. At Chicago his Cross of Gold speech, a plea for unlimited free coinage of silver, had won him the 1896 Democratic Presidential nomination.

NEXT COMES THE STORY

OF

TRYING TO GET

SOME WORK DONE

AT THE

GUILDHALL COTTAGE

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APRIL 20 TO JULY 21

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Chas. L. Hurley

Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co.
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Fire, Life, Accident,
Liability, Steam Boiler,
Plate Glass, Surety.

Lancaster, N.H.

April 20, 1946

Mr. Jay R. Benton,
160 Congress Street,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Jay:

Very pleased to get your letter and hope to see you in the north country soon.

Painters are not too good in Lancaster but this is my setup:

1 George Donovan	Lancaster, N. H.
2 - Joseph B. Gonyer	"
3 - Roy Barnett	"
4 - John Henry Haynes	"

Sorry I didn't reply earlier but was up north most of the week.

Best regards,

Ken

April 24/49

Dear Jay:—
Just a word—

Frank Currier, Lancaster, N. H.
Merrill Colg, Groton, N.H.
George Ritchie, Groton, N.H
[illegible] lists up as painters, &c. #1 (Curr
the best &c. this man and his brothers a
[illegible] good, have seen their work, the o
[illegible] do plenty of work, but not in the
Currier Bros class.
Remind a phone call last evening tha
Mary's brother-in-law, Julius Hagen
Lebanon, N.H. (yesterday this) died
heart attack. - Mary just left for Lebano
1-30 A.M.) — Julie has been ill since the
ddle of March. -

Mad rush.

Karl.

P.S. as soon as danger of spring floods
are over, will set out the willows.

4 the copy

May 13

~~April 25~~, 1946

George Donovan

Mr. ~~Frank Currier~~
Lancaster, N. H.

Dear Mr. Currier: DONOVAN

I am planning to have some interior painting, some plastering, and paperhanging done at the Benton Cottage at Guildhall.

I will appreciate your contacting Karl Hayes at Guildhall (telephone Groveton 116-21) and make an appointment with him. He will take you into the Cottage, show you what needs to be done, and enable you to send me an estimate.

Yours truly,

160 Congress Street
Boston 10, Mass.

JRB:BCC

MAY 2

April 25, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

George Donovan

When ~~Frank Currier~~ gets in touch with you, I will appreciate your taking him into the cottage. The work contemplated is:

(1) Paint the Kitchen (flaking off now as you know);

(2) Do the small plastering job in the Southwest Bedroom on the second floor;

(3) Hang wallpaper on the walls of that room. I will need to know, also, how many rolls of wallpaper to buy.

~~Sincerely yours~~,

3. Hang wallpaper in northwest Bed room, second floor. How many rolls of paper necessary

Sincerely Yours

JRB:BCC

April 26, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

While we are at it, I guess I had better get an estimate from Currier as to the cost of papering the Northwest Bedroom on the second floor of the cottage, and also how many rolls of wallpaper would be needed to do the job.

Sincerely yours,

JRB:PCC

Lancaster N. Y.
April 26. 1946

Dear Mr. Benton;

Personaly I have not done any painting since 1941. At that time I purchased a farm and will not be painting any more.

I have two brothers that are doing that work under the name of Currier Brothers so I got in touch with them to-day but they have all they can do for months ahead. I am very sorry but hope you can find some one else.

Yours Very Truly
Frank B. Currier

HAVE MATERIAL FOR SMALL JOBS

Remodel or repair your home to make it more comfortable and beautiful.

We are equipped to do your painting, papering, floor sanding, carpenter work from rough to fine finish, roof jobs from sheet metal to slag. Our sanding machines are in full sway—you may be next on the list. We have jobs completed for reference. Cement mixers and spray guns ready for immediate work. Make the . . .

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Telephone 222 Lancaster, N. H.



THE UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY AT GUILDHALL, VERMONT

File Received Benton

MAY 6 1946

Attended to viz:

May 6th 1946

Dear Jay:

Paper Hangers & Painters are booked for months ahead, however, there is a chap;

Earle Roberts
Lancaster, N.H. RFD # 2

who does this work, I have seen some of his painting that he done at N.D. Hunters it looked good and they were pleased with his work, he claims to of papered for a number of years, might write him and see what he says.

Best ever

K-

May 8, 1946

Mr. O. Leo Connary
Lancaster, New Hampshire

Dear Leo:

Taking up the matter of the Guildhall Cottage again -- I sounded out Currier Bros. but they are booked ahead for a long time.

The name of Earle Roberts, R.F.D. #2, Lancaster, has been suggested. Do you know about his workmanship and availability? In case you do not, is there some way you can find out for me? This will be a great help.

This having work done by long distance is not all it is cracked up to be.

As Always, Best Regards,

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Jay

Lancaster, N. H.
May 9, 1946.

JRB:BCC

Dear Jay:

I don't know Earle Roberts and can't find anybody that does know him.

Keep away from Lancaster Construction Co. Very unreliable.

I called Geo. Donovan, Lancaster, N. H., Telephone 73-4 and he can start the work on your cottage in a week or 10 days.

I have him engaged to paint my house on the outside this spring. He does work for Frank S. Dodge and Randall Spaulding in Whitefield, Carters & Shute's in Jefferson etc. He is doing the inside decorating at the Lancaster Inn now. I think he will do a good job for you.

Best regards & hope to see you in the north country soon.

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JRB:BCC



THE UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY AT GUILDHALL, VERMONT

May 19th
1946

Dear Jay:

Geroge Donovan called today,we went up to the cottage,and he went over the work,said it would take about what the following figures show;

Kitchen; 2 gals of paint-2 lbs Glue size (do you want that board where the height of children is recorded painted ?)

Southwest Bedroom; 10 double rolls of paper,1 bag pulp plaster

Northwest Bedroom; 15 double rolls of paper.

Do you waat the ceilings in the bedrooms painted,it will take about 1 gal to each room,what about the wood work in these rooms ?

That hole in the ceiling of the Butler's Pantry- said it would be a short job to put in a few lath and plaster it.

Donovan said that he would like to get at the job as soon as possible as he had some big jobs to do which will tie him up for weeks.

It's my guess that if the ceilings in the bedrooms were done,they would need sizing,then a coat of Kem-tone. (Just a thot)

Best

PS The kitchen will need glue size before painting.
Am returning the clipping-Thanks for the Look-See

May 21, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

I have your note in this morning's mail about the visit of George Donovan to the cottage. I will give the green light soon so that the paint and other materials can be bought at Moore's in Lancaster. I will select the wallpaper down here and send it up.

I do not want the board painted where the height for the children is recorded -- I want that for the record. I think we had better have the ceilings in the bedrooms painted as well as the other work. Also, while we are at it, we had better have the hole in the ceiling of the butler's pantry fixed up.

What I want most of all is to have a quotation from Mr. Donovan as to what the labor will cost to do the work contemplated. As he wants to get on the job as soon as possible, I would suggest that you call him at Lancaster - telephone 73-4 -- and he can figure out what his quotation will be, call you back, and then you can write me right away.

Thanks very much for your assistance in these particular matters, as I have to rely upon your brains to keep a eagle eye on things up there for me.

Sincerely yours,

JRB:BCC



THE UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY AT GUILDHALL, VERMONT

May 23 1946

File
Received - Benton
MAY 27 1946

Dear Jay:

Attended to viz:

Your letter came Wed, tried to get Donovan on the phone that night, however, some one answered and said the family had gone to the Movies, got him a few minutes ago, told him the story, said he was very busy and would rather take the job on an hourly basis at $ 1.25 per as it was a small job to do.

"Bob" Wentworth knows this chap, says he will do a good job and does not lay down on the job.

If you insist, will tell him you want an quotation.

Best.

Karl.

P.S. Set out the trees on the meadow tonight, they look as tho they might stand the "gaff", altho it was a hard winter, plenty of my stuff winter killed. time will tell, I put a stake at each tree.

K

May 27, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

I have your letter in this morning's mail -- we do not open Saturdays.

I do not like to leave the door wide open on labor -- do you think it would take over six 8-hour days?

That is 2 on the Kitchen
2 on the southwest Bedroom
2 on the northwest bedroom

I wish you would call Donovan and see what he says.

Thanks a great deal for planting the willow trees on the meadow.

Raining hard down here today.

Sincerely yours,

JRB:BCC

May 30

File
Received - Bento
JUN 3 1946
Attended to viz:

Dear Jay—

after quite some time got in touch with Simmons, at first he was quite reserved in the whole thing, said the best was to get some one else to do the job. as was too busy to go into the with again. after some time and effort, said he did not think it would take him 7— days for a man, and was not sure as many as for, finally left him in a better frame of mind and think he will do the job.

Such is the latest situation today, they don't care me way or the other.

Best regards.

Paul.

June 3, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

Thank you very much for your letter received in this morning's mail, and on the basis of the information forwarded, that the contemplated work would not ta over 7 days at 8 hours a day, you can have Mr. George Donovan go ahead with the wo

Referring to your letter of May 19th: for the kitchen -- 2 gallons of paint, 2 pounds glue size; southwest bedroom -- 1 bag pulp paste; ceilings of 2 bedrooms painted, 1 gallon for each; also a quart of Kemtone -- these goods can be bought from Bert Moore's Hardware Store and the bill forwarded to me. Mother says that the woodwork in the rooms where we are going to have the work done should be painted with white enamel paint, so get this also at Moore's. The board where the height of the children is recorded is not to be painted.

After considerable search, I have located the wallpaper for the northwest bedroom -- 15 double rolls -- the design is one with small flowers on it. This paper is being bought at the Bailet Wallpaper Company, 62 Summer Street, Boston, Mass., and is being shipped up to you in your name at Guildhall, Vermont, Post Off parcel post.

I have not yet found the wallpaper I want to have used on the southwest bedroom, but I expect to find what I want in the next day or two and will buy 10 double rolls and have it shipped up to you and will notify you when it starts.

Thank you once again for all the assistance you are giving me in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

JRB:BCC


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June 12, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

This morning I took time out to go and select the wall paper to go on the Southwest Bedroom. I bought 10 double rolls at the Bailet Wallpaper Company at 62 Summer Street, Boston. It is a rose figured design on a cream white background. It will be shipped today from Connecticut, parcel post, addressed to you at Guildhall, and I was told it should reach you at Senator Stevens' semi-detached post office next Monday.

Sincerely yours,

JRB:BCC



THE UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY AT GUILDHALL, VERMONT

The
Received - Benton
JUN 19 1946
Attended to viz:

June 17th

Dear Jay:

The balance of the Wall Paper came this morning,went down to Lancaster and got the paint,plaster, size and paste;then called Donovan after he was thro work,told him the material was on hand and he could start at once,THEN he said he could not do the job before 6 or 8 weeks,as he had so much work ahead and was not fussy about doing it anyway and suggested geting some one else,could of done it when we first talked it over but it was too late now.

Shall I try and get some one else ?.

In your letter of June 3rd you spoke of white enamel paint on the wood work of the rooms to be done over,does this apply to the kitchen,? the kitchen is one solid color,something of a cream-ivory,I got Ivory,Semi-Lustre,however,this cam be exchanged if not what you want. Please advise.

Will be waiting to hear from you.

Best,

Nat.

June 18, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

I have your letter in this morning's mail and it is plain I had better forget about having Donovan do the work. Consequently, I inquire if you would like to do this work in your times off from the mill for $90.00. If not, would Bob Wentworth be interested in making this money on the side?

If neither you nor he answer in the affirmative, I will let you know 2 or 3 names of painters hitherto sent to me for you to go after.

For the woodwork in the kitchen, your suggestion is adopted -- use the ~~cold~~ Solid color -- something of a cream ivory.

Once again many thanks for your great help in trying to refurbish the cottage.

Sincerely yours,

JRB:BCC



THE UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY AT GUILDHALL, VERMONT

File - Received - Benton
JUN 25 1946
Attended to viz:

Sunday June 23rd 1946

Dear Jay:

Thanks for the offer to have "Bob"Wentworth and myself do the work at the cottage, however, "Bob" is working on the new hospital at Lancaster, besides, papering or plastering is out as far a either of us are concerned; I called the Currier Bros. Lancaster, N.H. thinking that they might have a few days in which they could slide up and do the job, but nothing doing, they are tied up for months. The only chap I know of is Earle Roberts, who lives on the old Gotham place near the late John W. Boyce farm, North Road, Guildhall, Vt. he does a very good job, rather a Jack of all Trades,

Waiting your will and pleasure,

Best ever,

Jack

Nothing sure about getting Roberts, just a straw in the wind.

K

June 25, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

O.K., my Boy, contact Earle Roberts, see if he will do the work contemplated for $90 and complete it all before August 1st. Time marches on!

How did Mae like the Giraffe Powder?

Peter -- after 3 years in the Marines -- has been honorably discharged, and arrived home Sunday.

Sincerely yours,

JRB:BCC



THE UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY AT GUILDHALL, VERMONT

June 30th 1946

Dear Jay:

Yes, the birthday card arrived, it's a CORKER, we must keep the Giraffe issue alive, else it'ill die.

The check will be used to get Stout, seein' as how I am off the hard drinking liquor, an seein' as how the weather is as it is, cold Stout is what I am needin'.

Many thanks for 'memberin' me.

Took Roberts up to look the job over at the Cottage, tried to pin him down as to finishing the job by July 20th but he finally said he would clean up everything not later than Aug. 1st.

Roberts thot in order to have a swell job in the kitchen we should burn off the old paint with a blow torch, this would run into money, and how-but I suggested scraping off the loose paint, sanding it down and painting, while this may not be perfect it will be better than the average.

As you undoubtly know, the paint in both bed-rooms is off quite bad around the windows, enamel paint does not work so good, taht is, one coat over another, and I wonder if a semi-gloss would not work better, what say?.

We have a crew shingling the Library, the weather is so hot it is only possible to work in the early morning, Hotter'n a Cannon, that is.

Best wishes.

Ted

July 3, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

I am delighted that Earle Roberts is now at work at the cottage and much thanks to you in bringing this about. Do not burn off the paint in the kitchen - have it scraped off - also semi-gloss will be O.K. in the bedrooms.

Those al-fresco parties in the "Hollyhock Gardens" are going to be pretty quiet with you only drinking STOUT!

Special Announcement! Kathleen and Jane are coming up with us this summer - Frances, relieved of cooking three meals a day for the Old Man, will at long last have a real vacation.

Nicholas is flying up from Atlanta today. David is flying to Sea Girt, New Jersey, today. John is touring to the Cape to spend the weekend with Mary and Jim. Peter is twenty-one tomorrow - big party with three of his Marine buddies, all live in our neighborhood. Dorothy and Ted are on visiting all around in the East. They spent last night at our house.

I wish we were going to be up in Guildhall tonight. We would have one hell of a "Night Before the Fourth". With a little urging I might even be persuaded to give an Independence Day Oration with assorted gestures. A royal Holiday Salute to the House of Hayes!!

Cheerfully yours,

JRB/dlc



THE UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY AT GUILDHALL, VERMONT

July 7th 1946

Dear Jay:

Yes, Peter and his two friends arrived and spent a few days in and around the old town, fine chaps and we enjoyed them very much, sorry the cottage was in such shape however, I had to use the painter, (Roberts) when I could get him, guess the boys did not get much sleep in the morning we were pounding around the first A.M., then "Hen" Archer was getting them up by mowing the lawn with a team the next, but they took it all in stride, but am in hopes the old place will look much better as time goes on. Undoubtly Peter told you all.

We have run into plenty of extra things that had or has to be done, VIZ: The stove pipe that takes the pipe from the hot water heater was all rusted out, am having a piece made down at Lancaster; a plug and a "T" that goes on the water pump is broken, also the shut off valve in the stool in the bath room is wore out, will get these odds and ends taken care of before the 1st. The kitchen gave us plenty of headaches, we started to paint, but the smoke and grease from the oil stove, had coated the walls and ceiling so badly that paint would not stick, only way out was to wash the whole surface, which I did, and what a job that was, however, Roberts has started to paint it and it looks very good, he has the plastering done, the cracks in the walls and ceilings in the bed rooms will have to be covered with strips of cotton, or the new paper will crack wide open, I am having one Hell of a time getting white paint, none in Lancaster or Groveton, had to get a gallon in Littleton, after the work is done, I should expect that Carlos would have to get some one to clean up, as it will be damn dirty.

Am enclosing part of a wick that goes in the oil stove, it is the right length, but should be about twice as thick the stove is made by the American Stove Co. Lorain, Ohio "725-O" this is part of the wicks you got in Lancaster.



THE UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY AT GUILDHALL, VERMONT

Pleased to hear that Kathleen and Jane will be with you folks this summer,it will seem like old times.

Guess I have told you all of our troubles,trust the next epistle will be more cheerful.

Keep your powder dry.

PS.The Boys kept in due bounds with all mankind, not a thing to worry about,Grand Kids.

July 9, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

I have your letter written Sunday after the boys left and much obliged to you. I am glad you are having those broken down parts put back in shape. Sorry the kitchen was such a mess from smoke and grease. I do not recall whether the wind storm of the fall of 1944 broke any of the panes of glass in Kathleen and Jane's bedroom off the kitchen or not, but if it did, you had better have Roberts put in new panes, as the girls will be using that room this summer. When Roberts is done, I will send up some money, so Carlos or somebody else will clean up.

Frances says one of the three burners in the kitchen stove would not work last summer, so I am writing out to the American Stove Co. at Lorain, Ohio, to see if I can get a new one.

Ten Indian Fire Pumps in Guildhall! That is fine! But, what are Indian Fire Pumps?

Well, from now on I will be getting ready to go to Guildhall, with a hundred items on the agenda at the stores down here. As Persius, the Roman poet and satirist, so well put it, "Nequiquam populo bibulas donaveris aures."

Cheerfully yours,

JRB/dlc

July 15, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

I heard from the American Stove Company of Lorain, Ohio, this morning, but did not get enough satisfactory information. I saw some burners in the stove district here that I think will fit in O.K. Will you let me know how wide the aperture is across the top in our stove -- how tall the burner should be, etc. Then if it looks O.K., I will send one up.

Don't fail to see the giraffe at Lancaster on Monday, August 12th.

Sincerely yours,

JRB:BCC



THE UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY AT GUILDHALL, VERMONT

July 21st 1946

Dear Jay:

In spite of Heat-Druoght and the "Codfish Aristocracy"of Lancaster,we have the ROOMS at the Cottage completed,they look fine,-glass set in the Maids room,Bulters Pantry tuned up a bit,and water pipe repaired.

I think Roberts done a good job,enclosed you will find his bill,which I think reasonable, the supplies are for turpentine,parts for water pipe, crack filler etc.all O.K.you can send his check to me or mail it to him,Lamcaster,N.H. RFD # 2.

RE; ypur last letter-(Oil Stove)--- the wick aperture is 5 inches over all (diameter) the burner itself is 6-7/8th inches diameter over all, height,5½ inches over all,I think the burner is O.K. trouble is in the oil feed to burner,which I expect can be fixed,if you will send along the wicks,I'll try and tune it up.

Think Mary & Jane will clean up the floors in the bed rooms,so I can put the furniture back in place.Had Roberst fix the cellar door so it would open, could hardly get down.

Best ever,

P.S.While I have not checked this,hear that the Hot spell has caused the ice to go out in Stevens' Pond.

N. E. Swelters in 94 Degree Sizzler;

The drought went through its 18th day yesterday with a relentless sun parching the countryside, driving the life out of the crops, and threatening to dry up the drinking water supply of more than one community.

Greater Boston beaches reported the usual great, sprawling Saturday afternoon crowds. The week end trek to out-of-town resorts began even before the weather bureau promised an ideal week end for the vacationists and 48 more hours of agony for the farmers, at least.

While no relief from the drought was promised, relief from the intense heat was. A cold mass of air was moving down from Canada last night and within six hours, at Portland, Me., the temperature dropped to 65 degrees. The weather bureau at Portland predicted an early morning low of 55 degrees there.

The cold mass was expected to reach greater Boston this morning. As a result of it, the weather bureau said, the temperatures today would not rise above the upper 70s. The relief from the muggy heat would bring no showers with it, the weather bureau said.

It will be fair and warm today, though not as hot as yesterday. There is no rain in sight, the weather bureau said, not even for tomorrow.

Sunday, July 21st 1946
Much cooler this Morning
Frances has down for a snuggle - Breakfast upstairs at 8.30. Orange juice - corn flakes - Broiled Mackerel. Toast - Butter - Sliced Cucumbers - Iced Coffee. The Sunday papers - Up at 11.30. Shaved - over to 110 Oak Avenue To call on Mother - Back to the house at 1. David, Jeanne & Leslie had arrived - Dinner at 2. Vegetable Soup. Roast Rack of Lamb - Sage Stuffing. Roast Potato - Brown Gravy - Mellon Thing Beans - Parsnips Squash & Greens. Little Tomatoes & Lettuce - Roll - Butter - Milk - Baked Apple & Vanilla Ice Cream + Rested a Bit. Then downstairs to watch Leslie — Walking everywhere and talking a lot. The young folks left at 5.15 to go back to Cambridge. Frances made me a snack supper, which I had at 7. A medium Turned Egg on Buttered Toast - Grilled Tomatoes. Milk - Sliced oranges +

After Such a Drought!

There came something different in the line of weather yesterday; and, yes, that very different something was—rain.

It was not copious, nor was it even moderate. But after long continued and very disastrous drought the showers, which were general throughout New England, came as a blessing. And there is reasonable prospect of more.

Following the excessive heat of Saturday, when Boston ran a temperature of 94 degrees, and with humidity of true dog-day caliber, there came a rush of wind down the coast, direction varying between northerly and easterly, bringing a decided chill, which touched bottom at 58 degrees at sunrise yesterday—a drop of 36 degrees.

A low-pressure area had moved in slowly from southern Michigan, angling towards a high-pressure cold front coming from the Maritime provinces. That is the combination which caused showers, mostly light, but bringing in some places close to an inch of rain. It was Boston's first rain since July 2!

Hartford, Conn., recorded precipitation of .47 inch; Portland, .95, Newport, Vt., .22, while Boston got .11. There was considerable fog all day along Cape Cod, Nantucket, and the southern coast of New England.

The changed conditions are expected to remain nearly stationary till today and perhaps tomorrow over most of New England, with showers, easterly winds and cool weather. In some parts of the northeast thunderstorms are expected. In such localities indications are that there will be enough precipitation materially to check the drought.

Yesterday was a three-degree day, which is rare for July. The day's mean temperature was 62 degrees, 10 below normal for July 21.

July 22, 1946. C. H. B.







DAVID, JEANNE, + LESLIE

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July 22, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

Preamble

Time Flies -- The Goose Hangs High -- The Diesel Engine is filled with fuel oil to whisk us over the rails to Whitefield on Sunday, August 4th!

The Text

Wherefore and accordingly, will you select a proper and competent person to go into the cottage to give it a good cleaning up, freshening up, with good attention to Kathleen and Jane's bedroom off the kitchen, which has not been occupied for four years except by mice; also, the window panes should be cleaned, this for visibility, whether looking in or out.

The Summation

Enclosed is a crisp ten dollar bill to compensate said Preparative Friend.

With thanks to you, and assuring you that the intervening days can not pass too quickly to that heart quickening moment when the conductor at the North Station waves his handkerchief and yells "All Aboard", the wheels start to turn and we are off!

Sincerely yours,

Jay P. Benton

JPB:BCC
Enclosure

July 22, 1946

Miss Bertha M. Govan
c/o The Albonegon
Capitol Island, Maine

Dear Miss Govan:

Your post card from Capitol Island came in this morning's mail, and I was very glad to hear from you and that your new location is so satisfactory in every way.

Everything has been going well at the office except for the hot weather and now, fortunately, there has been a change for the better. I suppose, as always, you are sleeping beneath three blankets! I can imagine, where you are right on the ocean, it is in the forties every morning.

The front office sends very best regards and best wishes for a perfect and beneficial vacation for you.

Sincerely yours,

Jay P. Benton

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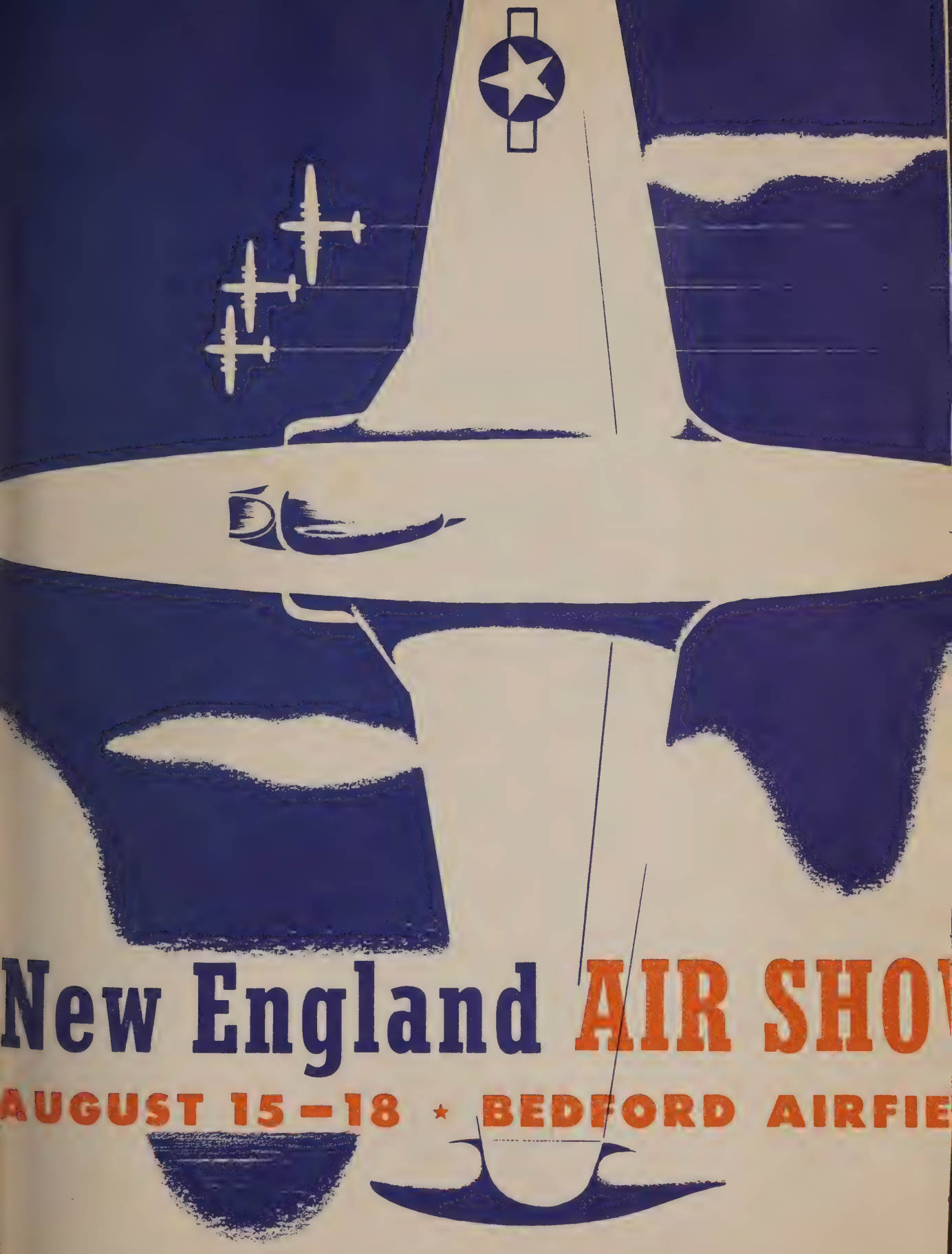
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The hour yet bears for you and me
Who have not drawn the veil to see
If still our heaven be lit above.
You merely at the day's last sigh,
Have felt your soul prolong the tone,
And I have heard the night-wind cry
And deemed its speech mine own.

Thanks to that atomic heat smasher known as the east wind, Boston and most of New England enjoyed comfortably cool weather today while other cities along the Atlantic coast reported high temperatures. It was 90 in Philadelphia, 86 in New York. High heat mark for the day was set in Phoenix, Ariz., 105.

Light rain also brought an end to the 20-day drouth, and the weatherman predicted brief showers would continue today and tomorrow, with temperatures in the 60's both days. The mercury dropped to 57 in Boston early today with 95 per cent humidity.

No general widespread rainfall is in the offing, the weather bureau said. Farmers will have to keep their fingers crossed. Showers will drench some gardens and by-pass others with one-tenth of an inch or less. Total rainfall this month is .53 of an inch, 1.54 inches less than normal.

Monday, July 22, 1946
Slept late - for breakfast orange juice - wheat germ - Fried Eggs + Bacon - Toast - Butter - Iced Coffee - to the Square with Peter and so to work + Out at 12.35 with Everett Jane. to the Old Colony Room - Hotel Bellevue - Had Curry of Fresh Native Veal - on Steamed White Rice Ring - new green Peas - Iced Coffee - Lemon Sherbet + to Iver Johnson's - had 200 feet of colored movie film spliced - Back to the office - Worked all afternoon - Left at 4.30 - to Belmont in Chester Dunn's car with Leo Leary - Front Porch. Iced Coffee. Jim came out to dinner - Peter Ran off the new movies and they were excellent + Dry Martini Cocktail - Dinner at 6.30 - Stuffed Egg Candle - Lamb Stew - Rolls - Butter - Milk - Honeydew Melon Balls - Upstairs at 7. At 6.40 Cancel - Telegram from Gladys Fogg - Rain tonight -



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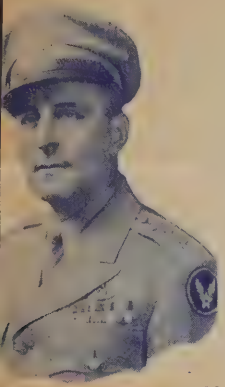
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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

17 June 46.

Mr. Theodore P. Drury, President,
Aeronautic Association of Boston,
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Drury:

Your letter to General Spaatz regarding your request to the Army Air Forces to participate in the New England air show to be held at the Bedford Army Air Base, 15-18 August 1946, has been referred to me for reply.

I wish to inform you that your request has met with our complete approval. Arrangements will be made to obtain an appropriate number of aircraft to perform the desired flight demonstrations. In addition, arrangements are being made to make available the Bedford Army Air Base for this event.

The Aeronautic Association of Boston is to be commended for its interest in the advancement and promotion of aviation. You may be assured that the Air Forces will perform in such a manner as to bring credit to both the AAF and your organization.

Also, we are appreciative of your desire and intention to contribute seventy-five per cent of the net proceeds of this show to the AAF Aid Society.

Sincerely,

For [illegible]
Lieutenant General, U.S.A.
Director of Information, Army Air Forces.

ADDRESS REPLY TO COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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decision of the Army Air Forces to this air show the backdrop for dis- of its mighty fighting force assures a ant aviation spectacle. A score of the flying events has been arranged by rmy Air Forces in addition to exten- ntertaining flight demonstrations by nal plane manufacturers who had a n building American aviation, along he latest developments of the com- r age.



Tuesday, July 23, 1946

Slept late - A muggy - humid - rainy day - for breakfast - Orange juice - Corn flakes - Scrambled Eggs - little franks - a slice of Bacon - toast - Butter - Iced Coffee - to the Square with Frances - to the Office - Work - out at 12.10 - Put Bonds in Safety Deposit Vault. To the Parker House - Hawthorne Room - Luncheon - Aeronautic Association of Boston. Sat at the head table. A meeting to Boost the Army Air Show at Bedford in August. Fruit Cup. Hamburg Steak - Green Peas - Roll - Butter - Hot Coffee. Brick Ice Cream - Afterwards to Gray's to select to send to the Guildhall Library a dozen

temperature 66 and minimum 57. The mean was 62, about 10 degrees too cold for the date. All-time high for Boston on July 22 is 103 in 1926 while the low record for the day is 55 in 1890.

July 23, 1946 C. H. B.

Say Rain During Next Four Days Will Halt Drought Damage

Sufficient rain during the next four days to halt at least temporarily damage to fruit and vegetable crops, stop spread of forest fires and temper the seriousness of a prospective Fall and Winter milk shortage in New England was forecast today by the Weather Bureau.

The official district forecaster stated that three-fourths of an inch of rain, most of it descending today, tomorrow and Thursday in showery lots, will fall by Saturday. Boston, with but .24 of an inch since last Sunday, is among the areas where the least precipitation has been recorded during that period. The bureau reports that other areas, including Maine and central Massachusetts, have had more than an inch of rain and that close to two inches has fallen in the vicinity of Hartford, Conn.

Temperatures during the period covered by the extended forecast will average a few degrees below normal, according to the forecaster. Boston's normal is 72 degrees above.

Boston today will see high humidity, with the thermometer reading at a high of 75 degrees, the Weather Bureau forecasts. Winds are expected to be gentle, southeast to south. Fog and poor visibility along the coastline are predicted. Fog along the shoreline yesterday caused cancellation of 26 New York-to-Boston airplane flights.

Fog, Chill and Drizzle

With clouds and fog all along the coast, the area around Boston was devoid of rain yesterday until evening, except a hundredth of an inch. And that came during the first hour after midnight of Monday. Scattered Weather Stations in northern New England, chiefly in New Hampshire and Maine, reported earlier in the day precipitation in excess of an inch up to 8:30 a. m.

Reports came from Connecticut at 7:30 p. m. of a heavy thunderstorm over Hartford and New Haven. Moderate showers were reported from Springfield, Westfield and the Berkshires.

The weather map showed a "Bermuda high," dominant near the Maritime Provinces, extending southward to the Bahamas. A low pressure area had built up to the south of Block Island, R. I. To this combination was attributed conditions favorable to showers, fog, easterly winds and continued cool weather until a heavy storm front, centered near Winnipeg, Canada, moved east to break up the stagnation.

Yesterday being wash day, housewives looked askance at the gloomy clouds and distant fog in the morning. But those who noticed spiders' webs spread on hedges and lawns "took a chance," hung out the family wash and got it dry before the drizzle which began early last evening.

Yesterday was another three-degrees July day, with maximum

Books for children — Back to the office — Real Estate Meeting. Work. left at 4:30 to Belmont in Chester Swan's car + with Leo Leary — Front Porch. Cold Bear. Jim came out for dinner again + Heavy downpour. Dinner on the Porch. Hamburg Patties. French Fried Potatoes - Summer Squash - Beef Steak Sauce. Roll - Butter - Milk. Tomato + lettuce salad - Sliced Peaches in Pastry Shell. Upstairs at 7.30 +

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July 17, 1946

MEMORANDUM

To confirm telephone conversation this date, the luncheon with the officers of the Greater Boston Development Committee will be held on Wednesday, July 24, at twelve-thirty o'clock in Room 168, Parker House, Boston.

T. T. McCrosky

T. T. McCrosky
Executive Director.

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Greater Boston Development Committee Inc.

Meeting of Officers - July 24, 1946

AGENDA

A. Resume of Status of Objectives for First Half of 1946.

1. Off-street parking. ✓
2. Express highway connections in East Boston. ✓
3. Second tunnel. ✓
4. Central artery. ✓
5. Mystic River bridge.
6. Residential area analysis.

B. Port and Industrial Studies (continuing project)

1. Access Streets to Castle Island.
2. South Bay development plans.

C. Suggested Program for 1946-1947.

1. Continue support of Items A-1 through A-5.
2. Complete Item A-6 and publish the map and transit overlay, with brief descriptive report.
3. Staff cooperation with Port of Boston Authority.
   (a) Physical plans
   (b) Public relations - stimulation of port traffic.
4. Study and support the most urgent transit requirements - (Boston Elevated Railway)
5. Achieve an agreed Express and Major Highway and Parkway Plan - in collaboration with:

   State Planning Board
   Post War Highway Commission
   State Dept. of Public Works
   Metropolitan District Commission
   Boston and local Planning Boards.

6. Select additional Highway Projects for 1947 legislative action
7. Start Future Land Use Plan (Item A-6 plus existing residential plus non-residential land use distribution).
8. Prepare Summary Report of Population, Industry and Employment Trends (for inclusion in book on Greater Boston Plan).
9. Book on Greater Boston Plan
   December 1, 1946: Detailed outline and page arrangement.
   July 1, 1947: Go to press.

Meeting of Officers - July 24, 1946

Agenda

1. Off-street parking.
2. Expressway connections in East Boston.
3. Second tunnel.
4. Central artery.
5. Charles River bridges.
6. Residential area analysis.
7. Industrial Building (continuing survey)
8. South Bay development plans.

Suggested Program for 1946-1947.

1. Continue support of items 1-7 through 7-6.
2. Complete Item 8-4 and publish the map and graphic material with brief descriptive report.
3. Start cooperation with Port of Boston Authority.
   (a) Physical plans
   (b) Traffic relations - elimination of port traffic.
4. Study and support the most urgent transit requirements - (Boston Elevated Railway)
5. Achieve an urgent Express and Bypass Highway and Freeway Plan - in collaboration with:

   State Planning Board
   Post War Highway Commission
   State Dept. of Public Works
   Metropolitan District Commission
   Boston and local Planning Boards.

6. Please add(item) Highway Projects for 1947 legislative session
7. Start Plans for Land Use Plan (like 8-4 plus existing conditions plus non-residential land use distribution).
8. Prepare Summary Report of Population, Industry and Employment Trends (for inclusion in book on Greater Boston Plan).
9. Book on Greater Boston Plan

C. 10. Commonwealth Committee
September to January: Preliminary organization
January 1947: Regional meetings.

11. Book for Commonwealth Committee, with 1947 program included
December 1, 1946: Go to press.

12. Cooperate on preparation of model of central Boston for completion in December.

D. Report of GBDC Financial Status.

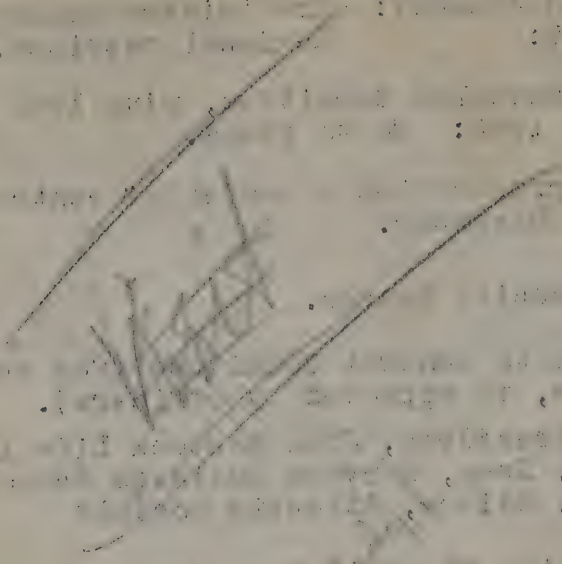
E. Suggested additions to General Committee (for action by Executive Committee, if approved by officers).

Paul F. Clark, President, John Hancock Life Insurance Company
Donald K. David, Dean, Harvard Business School
Edward A. Weeks, Editor, Atlantic Monthly

F. Reprinting of "4 Point Program" Brochure.

G. Policy on contributions to such organizations as Veterans of Foreign Wars.

H. Fixing date for meeting of Executive Committee.



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July 24, 1946

Mr. Jay R. Benton
160 Congress Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Benton:

Confirming our telephone conversation, I am enclosing herewith memoranda relating to suggested press releases and a covering letter to be sent out to members, together with enclosures to be supplied by this office.

We are deeply grateful to you for your proffered cooperation in helping us make the New England Air Show the great event it should be.

With personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

LeRoy A. Mullen

LeRoy A. Mullen
Treasurer
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Plans Progressing for 4 Day Lancaster Fair

What promises to be the best program ever offered by the directors of the Lancaster Fair has been planned for this year's four-day fair to be held Aug. 30-Sept. 2. The extensive program has prompted the directors to abandon the three-day schedule used for the past several years and this year the Fair starts a day earlier, on Friday, and will end as usual on Labor Day night.

Contests, baseball games, fireworks, harness racing, steeplechasing, music and the most expensive vaudeville show ever staged here will be presented during the four jampacked days of entertainment. In addition, the directors, by offering even more liberal premiums, are giving patrons assurance that the Lancaster Fair will remain a real agricultural fair where excellent livestock, horses, poultry, garden stuff and handicraft may be displayed and seen.

For the first time since Pearl Harbor the directors are offering fireworks with spectacular displays to be seen at two of the four night shows. Another thrill sensation not seen here for several years is automobile and motorcycle stunt driving. B. Ward Beam's Congress of Daredevils and World's Champion Hell Drivers who will perform on Saturday afternoon and evening promise to give the most sensational performance of the kind ever seen here. Other vaudeville features will be a sway pole performer, flying trapeze artists, a high wire act, perch pole artists and one of the greatest comedy teams in the country, Willie West and McGinty, who rolled theatre audiences in the aisles with their house building performance in a recent Joan Davis movie.

Three bands will furnish the music throughout the fair, the ever popular Katahdin Mountaineers, McLure's Student Band of Groton, Vt. and a still to be announced band of stellar quality from Boston, Mass. There will be the usual contests, a gay midway, and something going on all day and in the evening for the four big days.

The directors have acquired additional parking space in the rear of the grounds for the convenience of patrons and are having new barns constructed to house the fine cattle offered for exhibition. The directors' building also is being enlarged to improve the efficiency of operation of what they feel certain will be the biggest fair in the history of the Coos & Essex Agricultural Society.

Artist's Conception of Atomic Underwater Blast



(AP Wirephoto)

BASED ON VICE ADM BLANDY'S ADVANCE DESCRIPTION of likely results, this is an artist's conception of the column of water to be blown into the air from the underwater atomic bomb blast scheduled for this afternoon. Adm Blandy predicted waves as high as 100 feet, as a million tons of water rise in huge column topped by geyser-like spray.



(AP Wirephoto)

WARCRAFT POSITIONS AT BIKINI LAGOON—Diagram based on data from joint Army-Navy task force shows pos of warcraft in Bikini lagoon for underwater atom bomb test scheduled for today. Shaded circle locates point w bomb will explode.

ABOARD USS APPALACHIAN OFF BIKINI, Thursday, July 25 (AP)—The fantastic power and heat of the world's fifth atomic bomb churned Bikini lagoon into a cauldron of flame, smoke and steam today, pitched battleships about like toy boats, sank the battleship Arkansas and the carrier Saratoga, and hours later threatened to claim the New York and the Japanese battleship Nagato as a result of underwater damage.

Wednesday, July 24, 1946 X

Slept late again - for breakfast - orange juice corn flakes - Fried Eggs + Bacon - Toast - Butter - Iced Coffee - to the Square with Francis - Working at the office all morning - Getting hot again - At 12.30 to the Parker House - Luncheon Meeting of the Officers of the Greater Boston Development Committee - Over at 2.15 - Back to the office - out with Arthur Bliss and Egan Photo Service to take views of the home office for cover for the next issue of the "Line Wire" Worked to 4.30 to Belmont in Chester Snow's Car with Leo Leary - Later drove me down to Belmont Center to leave bundles of diaries but the Library was closed. Back to the house. Front Porch - a glass of iced Coffee and a glass of cold Beer -

Drought Is Broken

When the series of showers, attendant on typical tropical weather conditions, paused for a spell at 8:30 last evening the outstanding feature of a chaotic day was that the severe New England drought definitely had been broken. Precipitation "since the Moon change" had ranged from slightly less than an inch in eastern Massachusetts to more than three inches in Hartford, Conn. And there was more to come.

Heavy clouds, some of them of inky blackness, overhung the sky all day. They could be seen floating at several levels before warm southerly winds which varied from fresh 30-mile breezes at the ground level, to full gale force at 6000 feet altitude, with 88-mile hurricane blasts at 8000 feet. That's what the pilot balloons loosed at the airport showed in their brief flights.

Showers were general over the six northeastern states. Their timing was iregular and spasmodic. The destructive tornado which devastated a part of Concord, N. H., was a concentration of the worst elements over a comparatively small area.

The weather map last evening showed the "Bermuda high," still very strong, extending southerly from Newfoundland off the coast to the Bermudas. It was even stronger than on Monday. A low pressure front moving down from Hudson Bay was followed by cold winds which had lowered temperature at the northern edge of Minnesota to 58 degrees.

Boston temperature averaged close to the normal mean for the date, of 72 degrees. Humidity was close to 100 percent all day. Visibility was extremely low.

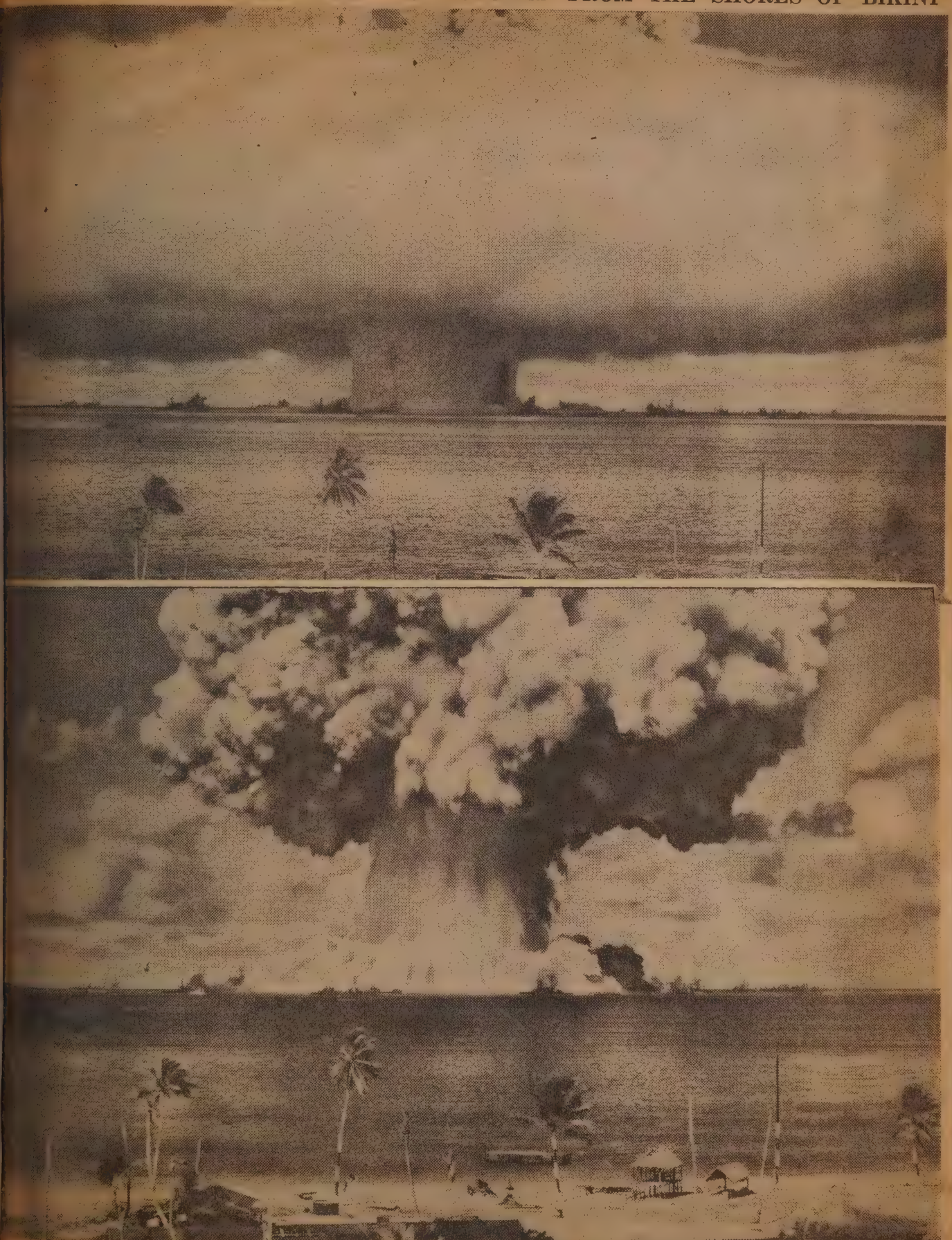
Showers, high humidity and southerly winds, with little change in temperature, are indicated for today.

C. H. B.

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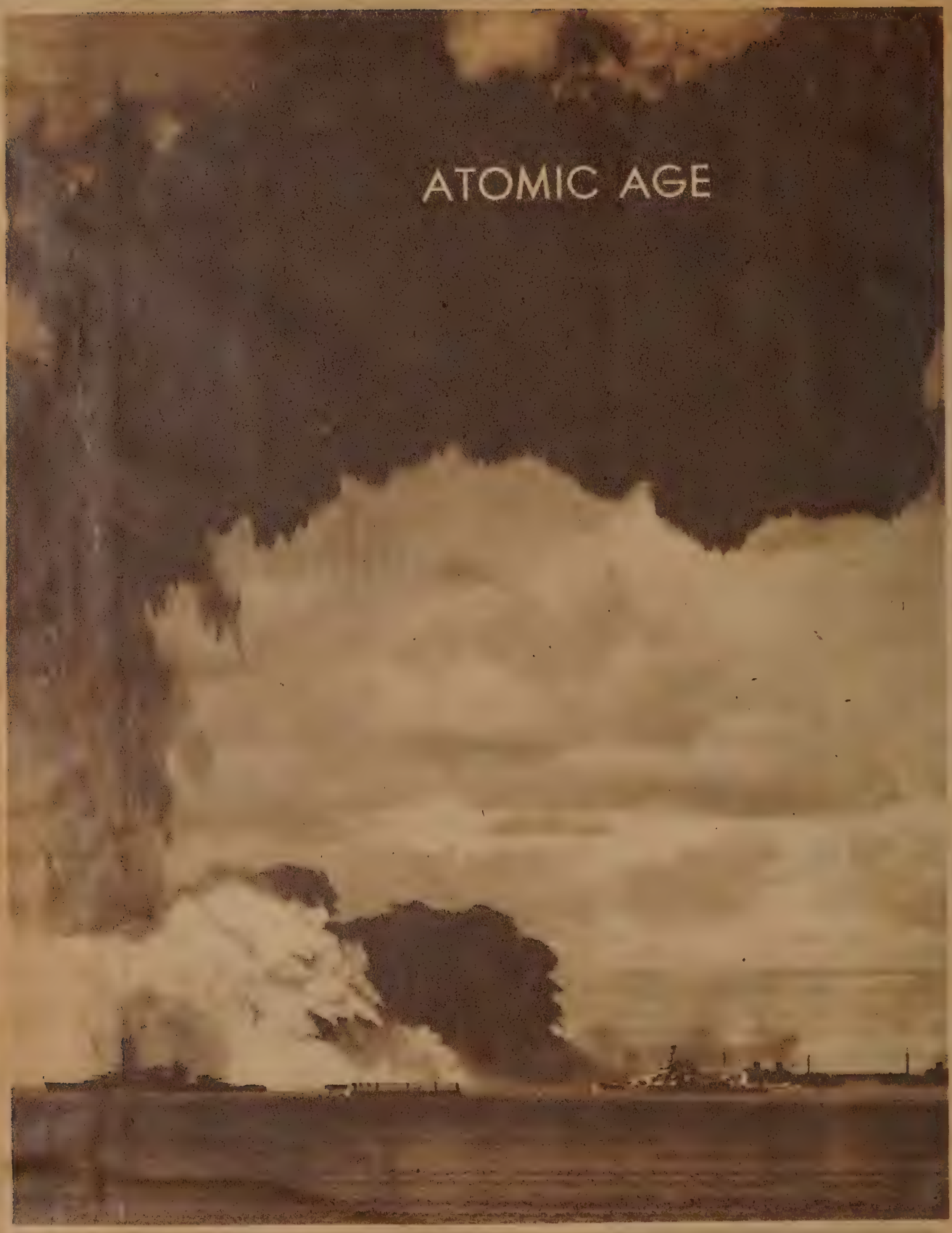
Listened to Broadcast of 5th Atomic Bomb test at Bikini -
Tim Lane sent for dinner again —
Jellied Consomme - Boiled Halibut —
Boiled Potato; Sliced Cucumbers —
Rolls - Butter - Sliced Peaches
and cream. Waited around
until John Whittemore came out
with the Key to the Pi Eta Club
House - Upstairs at 3.15 +

E UNDERWATER ATOMIC BLAST AS PICTURED FROM THE SHORES OF BIKINI



photo, made after disintegration of mushroom effect in top picture, shows a column of water some 2,000 feet across at its base and t high boiling up out of the lagoon amid the anchored ships. Both pictures were taken by an automatic camera mounted on the atoll.

Associated Press Wirephotos



HUGE UMBRELLA OF RADIO-ACTIVE WATER hovers over vessels in Bikini lagoon following the underwater explosion of the second atom bomb last July. Seconds later this fast-sweeping spray swept down upon 90 per cent of the vast target fleet, quickly engulfing some and drenching the rest with its radio-active contamination. (Courtesy Joint Task Force I and Wm. H. Wise Company, publishers of the official report, "Bombs At Bikini".)



(AP Wirephoto from U S Navy)

MILE-HIGH TOWER OF WATER half a mile wide shoots up from Bikini lagoon as atomic bomb is exploded under the surface. At least one ship can be seen in photo made from USS Mt. McKinley 11 miles distant.



General View of Atom Bomb Explosion

Literally resembling the rear view of a woman's hair-do, tons of water shoot skyward during Baker Day atomic bomb explosion amid the Crossroads target fleet in Bikini lagoon. Photo, taken from the USS Mt. McKinley, shows ships still afloat on the horizon. Warship, left, center, has been censored out. The sub-surface blast sunk only four ships.



Bikini Atom Blast Patterns

A spray of water and atomized coral rises some 9000 feet above Bikini atoll in wake of the first undersea atom bomb blast in history. Resembling rear view of a woman's head (above), and a giant mushroom (left), the waterspout engulfed the USS Arkansas and two smaller craft. Five submarines submerged in lagoon were found resting on bottom. The aircraft carrier, Saratoga, plunged to the bottom several hours later. Heavy damage appeared on other target craft. Seventy-five target ships were in the area when the bomb was discharged. Fate of many is still unknown. There were no 100-foot waves following the explosion as predicted by the experts. Scientists will make close examinations of the damage today.





REMARKABLE PHOTOS OF ATOM BOMB TEST—These unusual photos of the explosion of the atom bomb at Bikini were taken by Joint Army-Navy Task Force men. Left: A shot taken from a plane almost directly overhead shows the explosion as a huge toy balloon. The "balloon" was caused by water, steam and radioactive substances. Right: Air shot taken at a brief instant when the water-spray and steam boiled skyward out of Bikini Lagoon.



(AP Wirephoto)

GIGANTIC WATER SPOUT, topped by darker cloud, shoots into sky after underwater explosion of atom bomb at Bikini. Vapor waves, shown forming at bottom, later hid target fleet, seen partly only as small dark spots in foreground.



(AP Wirephoto)

A-BOMB EXPLOSION VEILS FLEET—Vapor waves and cloud mass obscure Bikini target fleet after fifth explosion of an atomic bomb. A portion of Bikini atoll is visible in foreground. Radioactivity prevents complete check on results of second Crossroads test.

July 25, 1946

Mr. Carlos Hodge
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Carlos:

As we are about to go up go Guildhall, I would like to have the grounds put in shape for our arrival on Sunday, August 4th. I understand Harley Hall has already mowed around the house once. I would like to have you go over it twice with your power mower -- the first time say by next Monday and the second time on Friday or Saturday of next week. $5.00 is enclosed for this work.

Yours very truly,

Jay P. Benton

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Enclosure



A MILLION TONS OF WATER gushes skyward in this graphic picture taken seconds after the underwater explosion of the second atomic bomb at Bikini lagoon last July. The Japanese battleship Nagato, which sank four days later, floats majestically at the right. Obliterated by the watery column, estimated to be 2000 feet in diameter, were the American battleship Arkansas and the carrier Saratoga. (Courtesy Joint Task Force I and Wm. H. Wise Company, publishers of the official report, "Bombs At Bikini".)

Thursday, July 25, 1946

For breakfast, it was orange juice-cornflakes Fried eggs & Bacon. Toast Butter- iced Coffee - to the Square with Peter - into the Pi Eta Club house to see how the boys had cleaned it up. Subway - Office - out at 11.30 subway to Mass. Ave. to the Harvard Club. Frances & I attended a luncheon given for Wm G. Saltonstall, the new principal at Exeter and Mrs. Saltonstall by Dr. Fred A. Simmons, the President of the New England Alumni Association - Back to the office at 2.30 - Worked until 4.30. to Belmont in Chester Sears Car - with Leo Leary. Front Porch. Tim came out for dinner again - Girls out. Frances

Cool, Pleasant Weather Due

The warm, muggy, weather which we have been experiencing for several days will come to an end today. An outbreak of cool, dry air is moving southeastwards through the Hudson Bay and Great Lakes region. The advance edge of this cool air had reached a line extending from Lake Ontario southwestward to southern Illinois, at an early hour last evening. It is moving southeastward about 20 miles an hour and will overspread all of New England during today.

The inflow of cool air will cause considerable cloudiness with scattered showers in most sections during this morning. This will be followed by clearing skies and decreasing humidity during the afternoon and evening.

Tomorrow will be fair with lower humidity and pleasantly cool. Moderate southwest winds will shift to northwest during today and to the northeast by early tomorrow.

A continuous period of high humidity always results in low clouds and considerable fog over the cool waters of the coastal areas along the New England coast and this always interferes with the normal movement of coastwise shipping.

Panorama of Clouds

The imposing sky panorama of yesterday came in the late hours of a sultry afternoon. It was depicted in the southeast running out over the ocean. There, piled high, like many Pelions upon Ossas were enormous cloud mountains in serried, snow-capped ranks, drifting in majesty before brisk breezes out of the south-southwest.

Somewhere, far at sea, rain must have been falling from those great riotous clouds. They had passed far beyond the eastern horizon before sunset.

Off to the southwest the brazen Sun flared through a bluish grey high haze with the intensity of a New England dog-day, sultry in the extreme. The mercury was at 88 degrees with humidity percentage at 80.

Toward nightfall, high thin cloud formations gathered in the west, forerunners of a cold front created at that time over Lakes Ontario and Erie. They were moving southeasterly at a rate which should bring them to this area late today.

That persistent Bermuda high continued, with increasing strength. It extended from just south of Newfoundland, where barometric pressure was 30.30 inches to south of the Bahamas. At its center off Bermuda the pressure was 30.39.

Boston's mean temperature for yesterday was about four degrees above seasonal.

As shown by long term averages this week in July is the hottest of all the year. C. H. B.

July 25, 1946.

got the dinner - Lamb Chops - Baked Potato - afterwards Ann, Robert and their Baby came out to make a call. Up stairs at 9 o'clock. Peter went down to have supper with David and Jeanne +

July 26, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

The elm at the corner of the meadow and the lilac at the corner of the piazza have again grown up so as to hide the view up the Valley and the Percy Peaks. Therefore and accordingly, I will appreciate your getting a competent person to give them another hair cut. Three crisp one dollar bills are enclosed to cover the expense.

Sincerely yours,

Jay P. Benton

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July 26, 1946

Belmont Citizen
72 Trapelo Road
Belmont 78, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Kindly find enclosed 35¢ for which mail to me at Guildhall, Vermont, your issues of

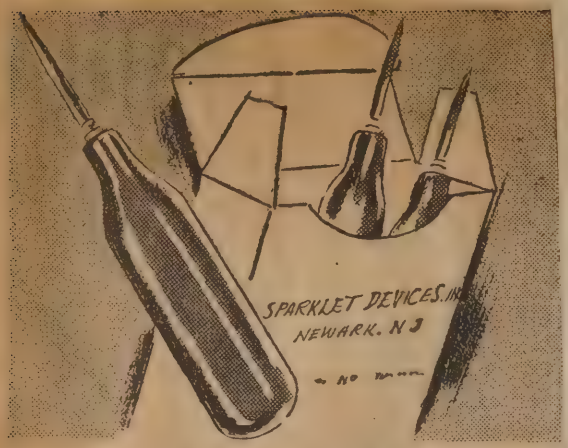
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Yours truly,

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July 26, 1946

Belmont Herald
5 Grove Street
Belmont 78, Mass.

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Sumner Tunnel's Twin Sister

No Time to Lose In Building Tube

Director of Development Group Says Speed Vital in Face of Growing Traffic

(This is the final article in a series of five intended to acquaint the public with the plans for constructing and financing a new tunnel under Boston Harbor.)

By BILL SCHOFIELD

Strong among all the voices raised in demand of quick action for a new East Boston tunnel is the voice of the Greater Boston Development Committee—ready today to back any practical tunnel program.

WILL TAKE FOUR YEARS

"It will require six to eight months for the preparation of plans and preliminary engineering," says Theodore T. McCrosky, executive director for the committee. "Then it will take four years to build it.

"We might as well face squarely the inevitable increase in traffic. By 1950 it will be 9,000,000 cars a year, and probably more. The present tunnel will not be able to handle this. "We cannot afford to put off the essential remedy. A year lost now means another year of unbearable congestion, starting in 1951."

McCrosky has little or no patience with the idea of wasting time at this stage of the game in trying to form a permanent settlement on ownership and operation of the twin tubes.

SPEED THE THING

"The thing to do is to get going on construction as soon as possible," he declares, "and settle the administrative details later.

"We'll have four years in which to do that while the tunnel is being built. Meanwhile, the traffic will be piling up. We'll probably be using ferries, anyhow, to handle the overflow from the Sumner tube long before the new tube is ready to take its share of the burden.

"We propose that in 1947 a suitable Authority be created to construct the second tunnel and operate it The precise form of organization and its relation to the present Sumner Tunnel can be settled next year.

"We favor the single Authority for operation and maintenance of both tunnels, but to own only one. This can be acheived, and it is certainly desirable.

"If this can be done on a non-tax basis, fine. However, we certainly would not oppose a taxable plan.

"Meanwhile, work can go forward on the approaches for both tunnels even while work is being put through on the new tunnel itself. There wouldn't be any need of a holdup in this direction if prompt and sensible action could be obtained.

If proper legislation can be offered by January 1, the matter of financing can be taken up immediately after passage and construction can begin on schedule."

And there today the matter of the twin tube stands—with the State Planning Board urging that quick action be taken to convert the charts and blueprints into roadways and ramps—with the Massachusetts Federation of Taxpayers Association working to get proper legislation down on paper—and with the Greater Boston Development Committee offering its strong support toward the end that the blue-clay harbor bed soon be attacked by tube diggers.

While traffic is piling up and airline passengers from time to time are missing their planes; but these troubles are thinning out considerably by the fact that nobody is sitting idly by, content to wish for a Sumner twin.

They're doing something about it, in a way that makes the new tube seem much closer than its five-year schedule looks on paper.

Friday, July 26, 1946
Paper very late in coming this morning. 7.45 - for breakfast - orange juice - wheat germ. Creamed Cod Fish on toast - Iced Coffee. To the Square with Frances. Working all morning. Out at 12.20 with Everett Lane - to the Second National Bank to pick up 100 m Qorts - took them over to the First. Then to the Boston Safe on Hill Estate. to Woolworths - to Liggetts - to the Hotel Arcay. Cold Roast Turkey. Potato Salad. Sliced Tomatoes. Roll. Butter - Iced Coffee. to R. H. White's - 2 moth balls - to Liggetts for medicine, etc. for Guildhall, to Jordans for four boxes of DDT. Then looking for Ann Haviland "Lily of the Valley" for Frances, also to Hoey's - Filene's on same quest. to Woolworths for diary paper and a birthday card. to Conway's for "Philadelphia", to the Chamber of Commerce for a carton of Camels for Frances. Back to the office - Worked to 4.30 - to Belmont in Chester Sun's car with Leo Leary. Made arrangements with

Trying To Be Good

Weather of yesterday, following the recent pranks and excesses, seemed to be trying hard to be good. It had moderate success, after a sultry forenoon and, last evening, it gave promise of exceptionally fine conditions for today.

The early part of the day was cloudy, with humidity percentage above 80. There were high cumulus clouds from which came scattered showers over much of New England. At times, the Sun barely penetrated the clouds.

It was not until late afternoon that the first effects of an approaching cooler front began to be felt in New England. Mercury which, near Boston, had climbed to 86, began slowly to drop, while humidity percentage fell rapidly to a pleasant 33 before sunset.

This cold front, with barometric pressure up to 30.24 inches, was coming in from the west, where it had dominated an area extending to the Mississippi River.

Nantucket had a smart shower about 7 p. m.

The mean temperature yesterday was about four degrees above the July 25 norm. Decrease in the length of the day since June 21 has been 37 minutes.

The evening draft of the weather map indicated cooler weather for today with some high cloudiness, low humidity, off-sea breezes, and a clear starry night.

July 26, 1946. C. H. B.

Fine Weekend In Prospect

Today will be an ideal summer day for those people on vacation or for those people who have to work. The air will be clear and clean and the humidity will be low. The sky will have no more than high, thin cloudiness and the temperaure will be at comfortable levels.

Yesterday's scattered showers produced only a slight amount of rain in some places. However, Caribou, Me., reported almost one half inch of rain. Nantucket had a thunderstorm that produced heavy rain for about an hour.

GOOD CROP WEATHER

Except for the Boston area, New England had already received all the rain it needed for the present. Plentiful moisture and abundant sunshine mean that the farms and the gardens will have several good growing days.

Tomorrow will be a fine, pleasant day, and the outlook is for nice weather for the entire weekend. Whether the vacationist is cruising along the coastal waters or hiking in the mountains, the weather conditions will be good.

The winds over the coastal waters, from Eastport to Block Island will be moderate north to northeast today. The weather will be the fair and the visibility will be excellent.

"Bud" Isaac to put our car in Burke's garage. Front Porch. Dinner at 6.30 Clam Chowder (Red Hot) Little apple Pie. Upstairs at 7. Peter went to North Weymouth today to spend several days with Bill Burke +

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July 27,1946

Mr. Jay R. Benton
160 Congress St.
Boston, Mass.

Dear Jay:

I should have answered your letter sooner ,but we did' not have a meeting until last night. The boys seemed to,think that 200 feet of film would be enough.

Plans are progressing very nicely for a bigger and better Fair than ever, We have just completed a new directors's room, which is an addition to the back side of the main ticket office.This means we wont have to climb those rickety stairs anymore for our refresments.We have also started work on two new 90 ft. cow stables which will be completed in time for the/~~F~~air/ Fair.

I wonder if you would be willing to invite the Vermont Governor again this year for Labor Day? I would have to let you know later as regards arrangements for time and place.

Perhaps you can tell me what arrangements have been made in the past about having the Milk Maids cup inscribed with the name of the last years winner? Some of the boys seemed to think that you had looked out for this in previous years.

When do you expect to come up for your ~~vacation~~/ vacation?

Yours very truly,

Dana H. Lee

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. BENTON, BOSTON, MASS.

Saturday, July 27, 1946

The day started at 3.30 A.M. did my diary and read newspapers until 5.30 when Frances came down for a snuggle - The "Herald" came at 7.30 Breakfast upstairs at 8.30 Grapefruit-juice - Cornflakes - Scrambled Eggs and Bacon. Toast - Butter - Iced Coffee + Did Fasting for 20 days from 11 to 12.17 + Shaved and had a hot tub Bath - Frances and I left at 1.10 - to Harvard Square. Put the car in the Church Street Garage. to the Bella Vista for lunch. Frances had Double Dry Martini - Minestrone with Parmesan Cheese - Chicken Chow Mein - Egg Noodles. French Bread - Cottage Cheese. Chefs Choice. Stinger Demi Tasse. I had a Scotch Highball. Duck a la King. Mashed Potato - String Beans. French Bread. Cottage Cheese - Minestrone with Parmesan Cheese - Iced Coffee - Sultana Roll.

Fine Weather For Weekend

Today will be one of New England's finest days and tomorrow will be almost as perfect. There will be sunny skies in all parts of New England, and temperatures will be at comfortable levels.

This will be an excellent time for a trip to the mountains, the lake or the beach. Today's highest readings will range from 75 on the coast to the lower 80's in the interior sections.

Tonight will be clear and cool, with the lowest temperatures ranging from 50 to 60 except in some of the valleys of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont where the temperature will fall to the middle 40's.

The cool air mass which moved into New England likewise overspread all of the eastern portions of the United States, as far south as central Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi.

The cool air set off thunder storms as it pushed into the southeastern states, producing nearly two inches of rain in some localities. Small-boat enthusiasts and sea lovers could not pick a better weekend than this for a short cruise along the coast.

The sky will be clear and visibility will be excellent.

Then we went to the Cambridge Summer Theatre in Brattle Hall - to see Bert Lahr in "Burlesque" most enjoyable - a fine afternoon. Back to the house and then down to Hittinger's to get some fruit - and to the drugstore for cigarettes. Back to the Rogers - out in their garden yard for an hour - then home for dinner - Baked Beans & Fish Balls - Cole Slaw. Hot Rolls - Butter - Milk - Sliced Peaches. To bed at 7.30 +

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. . PROGRAM NOTES . .

☆ BERT LAHR, *Skid*, famed comedian was lured into the theatrical while still a youngster, where he was known as The Kid Singer. His pa had other plans for him, but after running through 16 jobs in three mont was allowed to follow his own desires. While doing a comic sketch in burl Harry Delmar, vaudville impresario, saw him, and put him in his own "Delmar's Revels". The toughest hurdles had been crossed, by then, in his a to fame and when he was cast in "Hold Everything", that fame became in Some of his stage successes are "Hot-Cha", "Life Begins at 8:40", "Du Was a lady", and "The Show Is On", with Bea Lillie. Hollywood has wisely him in many movies. Most memorable of them are "Za-Za" with Claudette bert, "The Wizard of Oz" "Just Around the Corner", "Josette", "Meet People", and "Ship Ahoy".

Mr. Lahr is at present star of his own radio program, "The Sever Show", and will do a broadway show in the fall.

☆ EILEEN HECKART, *Bonny*, comes to us after busy theatrical year in York and Chicago. In the fall, she was in "Brighten the Corner" wit late Charles Butterworth. During the winter, she played the second le "Windy Hill", with Kay Francis and Roger Pryor. A graduate of Ohio University, she has been leading lady during the last two seasons for the Players in Milwaukee and at the Lake Erie Summer Theatre. During the years she did a U.S.O. tour with Lilian Gish in "Over 21", and later wen with a road company of "Janie", which played at many hospitals throughou country. A superb dramatic actress, she has been on many of your favorite programs. She was seen earlier this season at Cambridge in "Ten Little Indi playing opposite Michael Whalen, and at Boston and Cambridge in "Sailo ware", with Ann Corio.

☆ ALLAN TOWER, *Harvey Howell*, is back as a regular member of the res company after a sixty-six week run of "Dark of The Moon". He was a member of the original production which had its premiere at Cambridg graduated from Brown University and the American Academy of Dramatic The stage, screen and radio have used his talents in productions ranging fro works of Shakespeare to "The March of Time". He appeared in the road pany of "Biography", and the Broadway cast of "Suds in Your Eye".

☆ WILLIAM MENDREK, *Lefty*, was born in Holyoke, and attended th land Powers School in Boston. After graduating he went to New Yor has since played in "Boy Meets Girl", "Room Service", "What A Life", "M For Error", and "The Family". He went to London to direct "Room Ser and while there he played in"Awake and Sing". Mr. Mendrek joined the forces in 1943, went overseas with the Infantry, was wounded in Italy, and transferred to the Air Corps. He is a member of the resident company.

☆ JOE BATTAGLIA, *Jerry Evans*, was one of the original organizers Cambridge Summer Theatre. While at Harvard, he and John Hunti (now co-producer with Lee Falk) were members of a jazz band, "The Cr Ramblers". After graduating, the band toured abroad and introduced j Italy. On broadway, he headed the orchestra for "The Moon is a Gong" Helen Chandler. Jerry Colonna, incidently, played the trombone in that orch

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Saturday Afternoon
July 27. 1946



Sunday 28 July 1946

Dear Mom and Dad,

Here I am at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. I presume you got the two addresses I sent you. Please use the latter, or the one on this envelppe. No dope yet as to when I'll be getting my discharge. I don't know if my being sent to Bragg will hinder my getting out or not. The first Sgt. shouldn't have sent me here in the first place. I tried to reason with him, but he didn't care as to when I'd get out. Other men in the same priority as myself are back at McClellan awaiting orders. Up here I can receive no orders, for there is no record section for the Infantry, and everything's quite mixed up.

Bragg is a separation center, so perhaps I can be discharged here instead of Fort Dix. This camp is quite beautiful, the barracks are comfortable, and the weather better and sometimes worse than at McClellan.

This section of camp was completely closed before we arrived. We're now opening up the barracks, mowing lawns, scrubbing floors, pulling KP, fire guard etc.

That's all for now.....

Love,

Nick

Bert Lahr and Jean Parker do their turn in *Burlesque*.

News of the Week as Seen by Dugan



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Sunday, July 28-1946

Day started at 6.30 — Frances came down for a snuggle - Breakfast upstairs at 8.30. Orange juice - corn flakes. Baked Beans - Ketchup - Fish Balls. Hot Rolls. Butter - Iced Coffee. Read papers and rested to 11. Then up, shaved & a shower - Over to call up Mother - Back to the house. At 12.45 with the family over to May & Leo Neary's - a garden cocktail party - Back to the house at 2.15 - Dinner. Jellied Madrilene Breaded Veal Cutlets - Mashed Potato - String Beans - Salad - Rolls. Butter. Milk. Cantaloupe Balls. Rested. Later out on the lawn - Leslie scampering everywhere. Frances took them Back to Cambridge at 4.45 — Snack supper at 6.30 Clam Chowder. Cole Slaw &

Ideal Weather Due for Week-End

That most sought after Sunday attraction—parking space—will be at a premium up and down the North and South Shores today because the weatherman predicts a perfect week-end, south to southwest winds, sunny and warmer. Temperatures are forecast in the upper 80's.

Under High Pressure

A very extensive area of high barometric pressure dominated yesterday's fine weather. It was centered, last evening, over western New York and Pennsylvania, moving eastward slowly, having been four days on the way down from the Yukon territory of northwestern Canada.

The sphere of its influence extended from Labrador to Georgia and from Minnesota to a line east of New England, lowering temperature all the way a few degrees below normal.

Around Boston earlier today there were many cirro-cumulus clouds floating before light winds but disappearing about noon. Boston's temperature for the day averaged about five degrees below normal because of moderate easterly breezes during several hours after noon.

In this locality the lowest temperature of the day was 60 degrees, while several northern Maine stations reported mercury down to 39. Lowest in Hartford, Conn., was 52. In Springfield it was 51. Augusta, Me., reported light rain.

Along the fringe of the great high pressure area there were thunderstorms in Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, Arkansas and Missouri, the latter being especially heavy.

The weather map last evening showed nothing in the line of low pressure except in a small area north of Hudson Bay and another over Kansas. Sunny skies with slightly warmer weather were indicated for New England today with light, variable breezes.

The 27 days of July that have elapsed have averaged just one degree on the cool side.

July 28, 1946. C. H. B.

Blue Berries and Cream



At the Leary's,
Sunday,
July 28, 1946

Monday, July 29, 1946

Slept late - orange juice Wheatgerm - Fried Eggs & Bacon - Baked Beans. Chili Sauce - Toast - Butter - Iced Coffee. Wm Moody back from his vacation - Go to town with him - Work started on the Telephone Building lot across the street - Too Parked cars have disappeared Poor Disraeli and his fruit stand shack - The Big Sign Comes down - The Dismantling - The Poor Guy. Out at 12.20 with Everett Keane - Put Jewel Box & Silver in the Safety Deposit Box at the First National. Put Nicholas May & June Bonds in. - to R. H. Stearns - Bought a Bottle of Ann Harland "Lily of the Valley" Toilet Water for Guildhall for Frances ($3.30) to Steuben's for lunch - Consommé - Braised Rump of Beef. Mashed Potato. String Beans - Roll - Butter - Iced Coffee - to R. H. White's for Mother Cake - Mogo - to Jordan's -

Fair Today, Tomorrow

We owe our latest long spell of fair weather to the high pressure area that has been moving slowly southward across New England from Canada. This high pressure area made our New England weather yesterday as fine as they come. Sunny skies, light winds and clear, fresh air all combined to make the day one of those rare, ideal summer days. The high pressure area has now moved south of New England, but will continue to influence our weather for the next two days at least. It is shown on the weather map centered in the vicinity of Washington, D. C. As a result of its expected location, our winds will be predominantly southwesterly today and tomorrow.

The generalized forecast for the New England area is: Except for a few, brief light showers in northern sections of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont tonight, the weather throughout New England will continue fair for the next two days. Temperatures will increase progressively each day. Thus, temperatures today will be slightly higher than yesterday and tomorrow will be slightly warmer than today. The only exception will again be northern parts of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. In those sections it will become slightly cooler tonight and tomorrow.

Seen in the Night

The beauties of such a night as that of Saturday seem well worth recording, however feeble the attempt.

As seen from a location in the suburbs it was a night given over to countless stars and the constellations, some of them screened now and then by lovely high clouds. Of the four large planets, so long in view of late as "evening stars," but three remained: queenly Venus, royal Jupiter, slightly less brilliant, and ruddy Mars—all of them in the west. Saturn was in conjunction with the old, old Moon, both not in view at the time. Saturn is now a "morning star."

Of the many constellations, brightest of all was the Big Dipper, scintillating in the northwest. Its seven star gems, evenly spaced and true to the pattern aeons old, glistened like diamonds, the "pointers" indicating where the North Star might be found.

Seated in a boat on the unruffled lake one could fancy that, from each of the seven star brilliants, there descended through the silent night, a sheer silken filament to tie up with a counterpart mirrored in the depths.

The clouds mentioned, all of them silvery, appeared like the snowy sails of a great flotilla of yachts racing on an inverted ocean of deepest blue—the sky. Away to the southeast and extending beyond the horizon was a solid cloud bank of white, illumined to a rich golden glow by the lights of the great city.

Midnight came within the next hour but the calm, the charm and the beauty of the wondrous night remained. Sunday, the new day, dawned clear and developed balmy perfection for late July—"not too hot, not too cold, but just right."

For today slightly warmer weather is indicated, with little change otherwise in New England weather conditions.

July 29, 1946. C. H. B.

Left films to be developed. Tried to get sheets + pillow cases for Guildhall - but no go. On Boylston St - Bought a What-Not - (Italian Balloon lady) for Guildhall - to Brecks - to Lauriat's - Food down - Piles of Books to order for Guildhall Public Library. Back to the office - Worked to 4.30. To Belmont with Wm Moody - Put out the paper Barrels + Selected motion picture reels to take up to Guildhall - Tim out for dinner again - Had it on the front porch - Meat loaf - Mashed Potato - String Beans - Romaine salad - Hot Rolls - Butter - Milk - Sliced Peaches - Upstairs at 8 +



THE UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY AT GUILDHALL, VERMONT

July 29th 1946

Dear Jay:

Have before me various cards-letters from you regarding many items;here's the answers--

Roberts check arrived,passed along.

Elm tree and lilac bush given a hair cut.

Wicks for the stove all installed and cooking on all five burners,gave the burners a general going over and feed line working complete.

Only about 2 bushel of coal for the heater,will order a supply from Hurlburt at Groveton,N.H.

Will meet the "Mountaineer" August 4th 1:34 EDT at Whitefield,(with Petunia).

It's gonna be nip & tuck to get the Cottage all set for the 4th,but we'll do our bestest,tried to get some one to clean-no soap-Mary,Jane and myself will get the outer layer off,and trust it wont be too bad, had Roberts stick some of the loose paper back on,as one enters your bedroom.

Have you wrote "Hopps" re¢ice?-or shall I ?.

Took off 5 rather large (dead) limbs on trees at entrance to cottage.

No wood in basement.

The lawn don't look so good,grass rather long,why not write Jedge Stevens,about useing the power mower ?.

Mark

ABSENT VOTER BALLOT

Official Ballot

Shall licenses for the sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this town?

YES ☐ NO ☐

Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this town?

YES ☐ NO ☐



Here we are — Jim — 6 of us under the table. Note Halos on feet — most unorthodox! Also full, and empty glasses. Don't forget to write out the certificate of membership? Skip.

July 29, 1946

Subscription Department

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Gentlemen:

Kindly find enclosed my check for $_____ for one month's subscription TO START AUGUST 5TH NEXT and to be addressed to:

JAY R. BENTON
GUILDHALL, VERMONT.

Yours very truly,

Jay R. Benton

JRB:BCC

Enclosure

Tuesday, March 5, 1946

Secretary of State

Here we are — Jim — 6 of us under the table. Note Halos on feet — most unorthodox! Also full, and empty, glasses.

Don't forget to write out the certificate of membership?

Skip.

May 29, 1946

July 29, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

Frances and I are going up on the "Mountaineer" next Sunday, August 4th. The train arrives at Whitefield at 1:34 P.M., Eastern Daylight Time. Can you, or Gladys, or Harley Hall -- or some other kind friend -- meet us there?

Sincerely,

Jay R. Benton

JRB:BCC

July 29, 1946

Dr. Dana H. Lee
Lancaster, N. H.

Dear Dana:

We go up on vacation next Sunday. Colored film costs $8.84 per 100 feet so have check for $17.68 sent right down so I can put the order in at Iver Johnson's.

Glad the directors' room is going to be on the ground floor from now on. It will help a lot. I will invite Governor Proctor for Labor Day.

Yes, I have had the winner's name engraved on the plate of the Milk Maid's trophy -- so get it and mail it down to me parcel post at once. I must have it by Thursday to be able to attend to it before I leave. Also send down exactly how the name of last year's winner should read.

Best Regards,

Jay P. Benton

160 Congress Street
Boston 10, Mass.

JRB:BCC

July 29, 1946

Hon. Mortimer R. Proctor
Governor, State Capitol
Montpelier, Vermont

Dear Mortimer:

In this morning's mail I have a letter from the President of the Lancaster Fair, Dana H. Lee, saying that, at a meeting of the directors, it was requested, with enthusiasm, that I extend an invitation to you and Mrs. Proctor to be honored guests at Governors' Day at the Fair on Labor Day. I know that you both had a good time last year, and Mrs. Benton and I will be delighted to have you lunch with us at the Cottage. I will make every effort to see that Harley Hall does not walk off with your hat this time.

You have my good wishes in the primaries and hope you will decisively.

Best Regards,

Joe R. Benton

JRB:BCC

July 29, 1946

Mr. Myron Hopps
Box 193
Groveton, N. H.

Dear Mr. Hopps:

As I arrive at the cottage at Guildhall next Sunday, kindly fill the regrigerator with ice next Saturday, August 3rd. Mrs. Karl E. Hayes has the key and will let you in.

Yours very truly,

John R. Benton

JRB:BCC

July 29, 1946

Oakley News Company
5 Newton Street
Belmont 78, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Vacation time again. Discontinue leaving Sunday papers at my house from now on until further notice.

Yours truly,

Jay P. Benton

JRB:BCC

July 29, 1946

Mr. George Travers
Station Agent
Northumberland, N. H.

Dear Mr. Travers:

As I am coming up on vacation next Sunday, kindly hold such articles as may come for my arrival.

Yours very truly,

Jay P. Benton

JRB:BCC

July 26, 1946

Railway Express Agency
B. & M. Railroad Station
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Gentlemen:

Kindly call at my house, 3 Pequossette Road, next Friday, August 2nd -- or Saturday, August 3rd -- to pick up some trunks to be shipped collect to Northumberland, New Hampshire.

Yours very truly,

Jay P. Benton

JRB:BCC

July 29, 1946

Marshall Brothers
Northumberland, N. H.

Gentlemen:

As we are now about to start on vacation, kindly leave a quart of milk and a jar of cream for us at Karl E. Hayes', Guildhall, next Sunday, August 4th, and each day thereafter at the Benton Cottage.

Yours very truly,

Jay R. Benton

JRB:BCC

2** July 29-1946

Hub Parking Jam Follows Start of New Skyscraper

Open-air automobile parking lots in the vicinity of Post Office Square were jammed one hour earlier than usual, today, as parking signboards were taken down on the 350-foot square site of the new 14-story New England Telephone & Telegraph Company building, and officials of the company broke the tarred ground with pickaxes.

The ground-breaking ceremony was conducted by Joe E. Harrell, President of the Telephone Company, who, in the presence of other telephone officials and contractors for the modern structure, commented briefly upon the significance of the $18,000,000 building to be erected on the lot bounded by Franklin, Milk, Congress, and High Streets.

But the most dramatic ceremony took place in the various open-air parking lots dotting the district where attendants said they "never have seen the likes of this parking business before."

Cars of motorists who had been adequately warned by the telephone company not to count on parking on their lot, beginning today, were stretched down side streets and waiting on the sidewalks to get into the other parking lots.

A huge sign on the telephone lot, posted one week ago, warned motorists that after July 27 they would have to look elsewhere for car storage. One adjacent parking lot was filled at 9:15 a. m., with all-day parkers. Others reported that whereas "business is always good" it is now "too good."

There are two large-scale, open-air parking lots only a stone's throw from the telephone site, one on the former location of the old New England Mutual Life Insurance Company Building, the other adjoining the United Shoe Machinery Company Building and operated by that company. About half the latter lot is occupied daily by employees of the shoe machinery company.

These and several small-size lots fitted into the chasm of office buildings were jammed this morning. Traffic officers stationed at the corners of Franklin and High Streets, and Franklin and Pearl Streets were amused at the moving circle of cars passing around and around the telephone site, frustrated by the closed gateways.

'They'll get used it it," one officer said. "Only I don't know where they will find new places to park." With this, he grimaced a bit over the expressed idea that there probably would be more curb parking violations.

Following the official ground-breaking for the telephone building, preliminary studies of the weight-bearing qualities of the soil were started in the presence of city inspectors. Workmen began digging an excavation, 6 feet in diameter, to run down 75 feet into the clay or hard-pan. Previous soundings have disclosed no presence of rock as far down as 160 feet.

Since the pilings must rest on hard clay, it is essential to build the massive new building on concrete pilings. This is done by dropping dozens of hollow shafts down to depths of 75 feet, circling the shafts with steel, and filling in with concrete. This is known as the caisson type of foundation construction.

Preliminary soil studies will require at least a week or two of testings. The first caisson shaft will be filled with sand to convince city authorities of the weight bearing capacity of the hard clay foundation. Engineers already have run into the complication of a sloping reef of hard-pan which may necessitate a variety of piling lengths.

Company officials stressed the point that federal priorities thus far permit only the construction of a foundation for what will be the most modern telephone buildings in eastern United States. This work cannot be completed before early next year, when the main building construction is expected to be authorized.

July 29, 1946

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"SECOND ARMCHAIR COMPANION"
"LAUGHTER IN THE AIR" by Jack Gaver

Yours very truly,

Jay P. Benton

Guildhall, Vermont

JRB:BCC
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Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Mr. Benton:

We received your check for $1.00 and have entered your subscription for four months only. The price for six months is $1.50, and as you sent only $1.00, we must send the Courier for four months only.

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Sincerely,

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Tuesday, July 30, 1946

Up at 6 and clearing up the attic and the cellar - had to be hot and muggy - Breakfast - Orange Juice - Wheat germ - Minced Ham on toast - Iced Coffee. to the Square with Frances. Subway. Office — Andrew Lane in re his job with the Boston Port Authority — Out at 10.25 - Subway to Beacon St. and Marshall - to the services for Moses S. Fourie - my friend for many years — especially in connection with the Boston University Law School Alumni Association had a ride back to town the Al Sawin Hurwitz, Charles Rowe & others - Back to the office - Out at 12.30 - to Dennis's looking for Mist - photo - to the Knockers Club. Broiled Honey Comb Tripe - Mustard Sauce - Fried Egg Plant. Roll - Butter — Iced Coffee - Chocolate Ice Cream — Back to the office - Real Estate Meeting + Andrew Lane in again — Over to Lautin's for a hair cut -

Sunny, Warm Again Today

Every now and then our weather gets in a rut and we are lucky, as in the present instance, when it is a rut of good weather. The city dwellers and the vacationists are enjoying our pleasant weather to the full, but the poor farmer is waiting and hoping for some rain to save his crops. The last showery spell was especially scanty in the Boston area though some generous amounts fell in other parts of the state. Here at Boston we are already more than two inches below our normal rainfall for the month of July.

Temperatures were a little higher over most of New England yesterday. At Boston, the maximum temperature was 88, but the humidity was comfortably low. Today's weather will be a repetition of what we had yesterday except for a cooling sea breeze along the shore in the late afternoon. The weather pattern remains stagnant over the country this morning and the only appreciable shower activity is confined to the Gulf states. It seems likely, therefore, that our sunny pleasant weather will continue at

Terrific Storm

A thunderstorm, accompanied by 45-mile northwest winds, struck with sudden fury over Greater Boston shortly after 8 o'clock last night, cascading an inch and a quarter of rain on the area in half an hour to flood streets and cellars and causing lightning to strike in widely scattered areas.

The storm, which came from t North with winds up to 50 mi and hour, and hail in some o lying districts, caused a drop of degrees in the temperature wi in an hour. More than an inch rain dropped, equally the wo July rainfall.

Shampoo - shoeshine - Back to the office - Work - left at 4.30 to Belmont - in Wm Moody's Car with Leo Leary + Front Porch - Iced Coffee - Read the papers - more or less tired - Dinner at 6.30. Jellied Consommé - Breaded Pork Chop - Baked Potatoes - Fried Onions + Toasted English Muffin + Milk - Blueberries and Cream + Upstairs at 7 o'clock + along came terrific thunderstorms. which lasted over two hours. I spent most of the time in Peter's room.

Getting Very Dry Again

What is most serious about present weather conditions in Boston and vicinity is lack of precipitation. The series of showers a few days ago, which broke the long, severe drought in most of New England, and in which many localities carried the rainfall for July above the month's norm of 3.33 inches, gave Boston slightly more than half an inch. So, last evening, with two days to go, the month's total wa but .96 of an inch.

Hereabouts drought conditions really have returned, with little prospects of relief in what remains of July.

It was hot yesterday, not only in New England but all over the United States east of the Rockies. Temperatures were from 90 to above 100 degrees in the Southwest and between 80 and 90 elsewhere. Boston's highest was about 88 and lowest 64, which means the average was about four above normal.

There was a steely glare to the Sun from early in the forenoon until near sunset. Humidity percentage was very low all day. Clouds, very few, mostly cumulous fragments, sailed before gentle southerly breezes. Some showers were reported from Mississippi and northern Florida. The weather map last evening indicated that warm, dry weather will continue through today at least and probably through the rest of the month.

July 30, 1946. C. H. B.

TUESDAY, JULY 30, 1946. The New Y

THE CRUMBLING AQUARIUM AS IT LOOKS TODAY



Exterior of landmark half demolished due to construction of Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel

Wednesday.
July 31 st 1946 -
this is the 37 th Anniversary
of our meeting. Up at
the regular time. Frances
gave me four pair of Black
stockings. Breakfast. Orange
juice - wheat germ - Poached
egg on fish cake. Toast - Butter
Iced Coffee - To the square with
Frances - Subway - office -
Work - Paid a lot of house-
hold Bills - out at 12. with
Everett Lane - to the Ambassador
on Winter St. Tomato juice -
Roast Loin of Pork. Potato -
Summer Squash - Roll - Butter -
Iced Coffee - to the Mayor's
office at 12.45 Conference on
off street parking. 1.15 Conference
on Veterans' Housing. Back to
the office at 2.30. Worked to
4.30 Skinner finished up
today. Rode out in Frank
Klayda's car with Leo Leary.
Stopped at Battle Square to get an

Cooling Winds Fan Hub After Severe Storm

Cool air from the northeast was holding the temperature in Boston and along the coast today to reasonable summer levels, as an aftermath of the crashing thunderstorm which caused minor floods and damage to homes, other buildings and wires last night.

The cooler weather will remain through tomorrow, the weather bureau at East Boston reported.

HEAVY RAINFALL

In the storm last night, an inch and one-quarter of rain pelted down on the Greater Boston area in one-half hour. In some sections, including Needham, large hailstones rattled against roofs and windows for several minutes at the peak of the storm.

Driven by a 35-mile-an-hour northwest wind, the storm knocked the temperature down 20 degrees from 86, and lightning hit several homes and power lines.

Lightning, Rain, Hail

Dense black clouds that gathered in the northwest late yesterday afternoon brought to Boston a sharp thunderstorm, reaching the airport at 7:30 last evening.

Progress of the disturbance, featured by a chain of electrical showers to the north, had been followed since 11 a. m. First word came from Bangor, Me. Portland reported its arrival there at 2.30 p. m.; then Concord, N. H., at 3 o'clock. It reached Bradford airport at 7 p. m.

There was thunder, lightning, some hail, high wind and heavy rain in Woburn at 7:15. Lightning was vivid and celestial cannonading was incessant. A few minutes more and the storm had reached Boston.

A peculiar feature of the onrush preceding the rain was a series of clouds resembling surf, rolling over and over. For a time the wind attained moderate gale velocity from the northwest.

Yesterday's weather was of dog-day type from start to finish. Even at sunrise the mercury stood at 73 and it rose to the top notch of 90 in Boston, with the day's average substantially above normal.

Over the Great Plains extreme heat, as on recent days, continued, while in the Southeast it was cooler and rainy.

After the rain of last evening a swing of the wind through the north caused temperatures to drop quite fast. Wind from the northeast was indicated for today, with clear skies and temperature lower than that of yesterday.

July 31, 1946. C. H. B.

Anniversary present for Frances
a special toilet water for $3.00
a stop at Griffin's - Home -
to find Peter had come Back
for a few moments and then
gone back to North Weymouth
again + Front Porch - Jim was
out again for another meal -
Dinner at 6.30 Hot Chicken
Soup. Lobster Newburg - French
fried Potatoes - Milk - Melon
Balls - to Bed early -

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July 24, 1946

MEMORANDUM

To: Messrs. Benton, Hodgkinson, Pappas, Church, Brett.

Subject: Conference with Mayor Curley Re Off-Street Parking.

The Mayor will not be back at his office until Monday, July 29 and will be very busy Monday and Tuesday. Mr. Howland who has charge of the Mayor's calendar will not know the date and time he can give our group a definite appointment, until Tuesday, as the Mayor might have to go out of town. I suggested Wednesday afternoon or anytime Thursday, July 31 and August 1. I will let you know next Tuesday as soon as I have a definite arrangement made, and will then get in touch with the group who will meet with the Mayor.

Respectfully,

T. T. McCrosky

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July 26, 1946

Mr. Jay R. Benton, President
Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company
160 Congress Street,
Boston 10, Massachusetts.

Subject: Action on Off-Street Parking Facilities.

Dear Mr. Benton:

As you know, the 1946 legislature authorized the City of Boston to borrow $5,000,000 outside its debt limit, for acquisition and development of off-street parking facilities, to be leased to the highest private enterprise bidder for operation.

On July 1st, a measure was introduced into the City Council of Boston, to authorize the $5,000,000 bond issue. When the Council next met, on July 22nd, no further action was taken. The Council will meet again on August 5th.

Our objective of achieving major highway projects such as the Central Artery and the second tunnel to East Boston depends directly upon first obtaining off-street parking space. Boston needs to get its cars off the streets to make room for moving traffic. That is Boston's job, to be done before the state authorizes construction of new major improvements.

The off-street parking facilities to be provided by the $5,000,000 will not compete with the garage under Boston Common. They will serve other downtown areas. In our judgment, the combination of both will still not provide all the parking space that is needed, but will make a very good dent in the problem.

f-Street Parking

oston may pat itself on the shoulder the fact that it is ahead of New York least one matter. Stumped by the ily growing traffic problem in mid- Manhattan, Mayor O'Dwyer has di- ed that "daring" countermeasures be n to provide additional off-street ing spaces. All subway stations are e examined in the hope of finding con- rable storage space for automobiles. is for a large underground garage be- th Bryant Park, behind New York's lic library, are to be prepared along line of the one already projected under ton Common

But Boston's lead may be short-lived. program for new parking facilities in downtown business area will be seri- ly delayed if the City Council fails to immediately on the $5,000,000 loan er now before it. The Legislature au- rized the city to negotiate the loan at recent session, and the loan order has n submitted to the Council for its nec- ary approval on July 1st. But as yet e Council has declined to remove it from e table. It seems inconceivable that e Council will further impede a matter such importance to the city's prosperity.

Group Hits Action Delay Over Traffic

Concern over the parking problem in downtown Boston and particularly over the delay of the $5,000,000 off-street parking appropriation was expressed today by members of the Greater Boston Development Committee who met with Mayor Curley for a noon conference.

The Committee pointed out that the $5,000,000 city bond issue authorized by the State Legislature still requires approval by the Boston City Council. The approval measure was introduced in the Council at its July 1 meeting, but for some undisclosed reason has not been acted upon yet, the Committee pointed out.

"Each month the parking and traffic problem will get worse unless this public off-street parking is made available," the Committee stated to the Mayor.

Traffic Outlook

"Automobile registrations have been 50 per cent below the 1941 peak, but as new cars come on the market, the old peak will be gradually equaled and then passed. Also, large privately owned, downtown parking lots will become sites for new office buildings," they asserted.

"Only last week, the big lot in Post Office Square was closed and work is now proceeding on the erection of the new telephone building," the Committee pointed out.

A further reason for getting started without delay on off-street parking facilities as stressed by the Committee was that several urgent highway projects, including the second vehicular tunnel to East Boston and the Elevated Central Artery hinge upon prompt solution to the parking problem.

These highways are State projects, but parking is a Boston project, the Committee emphasized.

City Has Job

"We believe that the city must be expected to do its job before it can expect the State to take additional action on the second tunnel and the Central Artery."

The Committee said that it recognized that the $5,000,000 appropriation would not completely solve all of the downtown parking problem, but maintained that it would make an excellent, and very substantial start.

The deficiency of parking is at least 6,800 spaces, the Committee estimated, adding that considerably more than that number could be used to advantage.

I am arranging for an appointment with the Mayor, so that a small representative group from the Greater Boston Development Committee may present the subject to him and urge him to use his good offices to expedite the necessary City Council action on the $5,000,000 bond issue. I hope that you will be able to be one of this group. The Mayor's office is to let me know next Tuesday just when our appointment will be. I think that he may be free to see us on Wednesday, July 31st or Thursday, August 1st. I will telephone you as soon as I know the date and time, and hope that you will be able to fit this important meeting into your calendar.

This letter is going to the GBDC members listed below.

Sincerely yours,

T. T. McCrosky
Executive Director.

Brig.Gen. Robert Cutler
Mr. P. A. O'Connell
Mr. Paul Clark
Mr. Joseph Harrell
Mr. J.F. Fitzgerald
Mr. Samuel Pinanski
Mr. D.B. Stanbro
Mr. Frank Ross
Mr. James V. Toner
Mr. Paul Draper
Mr. Jay R. Benton
Mr. H.D. Hodgkinson

Development Group Raps City For Delay in Parking Relief

The Greater Boston Development Committee, "greatly concerned about the parking problem in downtown Boston," yesterday criticized the city government for its failure to act on a $5,000,000 bond issue for the building of off-street parking facilities and warned the delay was blocking other "urgent highway projects."

Among state-sponsored projects being held up by the failure of the city to act in solving the parking problems were a second underwater tunnel to East Boston and the elevated central artery, the committee said in a statement.

PARKING IS CITY PROJECT

"These highways are state projects," it said. "Parking is a Boston project. We believe that the city must be expected to do its jobs before it can expect the state to take additional action on the second tunnel and the central artery."

The committee explained that, with the support of the Boston Real Estate Board, the Boston Chamber of Commerce and the Boston Retail Trade Board, it had sponsored a bill in the Legislature which authorized the city of Boston to borrow $5,000,000 outside its debt limit for the purpose of acquiring and developing sites for off-street parking facilities. These sites would be owned by the city and leased to private enterprise for operation. The bill became law June 7.

NOT ACTED ON

Under the provisions of the state law," the committee said, "the $5,000,000 city bond issue has to be authorized by the (Boston) city council. The authorization was introduced at the July 1 meeting, but has not been acted upon as yet.

"The state law provides that the off-street parking sites shall be selected by the Real Estate Commission and approved by the City Planning Board and the Traffic Commission. The Greater Boston Development Committee understands that much preliminary work has already been done by the Real Estate Commission, so that actual acquisition of sites could start very quickly after the council authorizes the bond issue."

The committee warned that the downtown traffic problem could be expected to become more serious, because more cars are being put on the road and "large privately-owned downtown parking lots will become the sites for new office buildings."

The provision of off-street parking facilities would make it possible to "enforce rigid no-parking regulations on many downtown streets," the committee said. "This will release badly needed street space for additional lanes of moving traffic and thus break many of our worst bottle-necks.

" . . . It is recognized that this $5,000,000 will not completely solve all of Boston's downtown parking problem. But it will make an excellent and very substantial start. The deficiency of parking is at least 6800 spaces, and considerably more than that number could be used to advantage."

Committee Urges City Speed Work on Parking Ills

Development Group and Mayor Confer; Delay by Council Is Scored

The Greater Boston Development Committee visited Mayor Curley at City Hall yesterday afternoon to get action to alleviate the serious downtown Boston parking problem.

The Committee declared that action has not yet been taken by the City Council to authorize the $5,000,000 city bond issue for the acquisition and development of sites for off-street parking facilities as approved by the Legislature.

"Several urgent highway projects, including the second tunnel to East Boston and the elevated Central Artery, hinge upon prompt solution of the parking problem," the Committee stated.

Pointing out that construction of highways is a state project the Committee emphasized, "parking is a Boston project."

"We believe the city must be expected to do its job before it can expect the state to take additional action on the second tunnel and the Central Artery," the committee statement added.

The $5,000,000 will not completely solve the city's parking problems, the committee continued, "but it will make an excellent and very substantial start."

Since the Real Estate Commission named to select sites for off-street parking has already completed much work, the Committee said aquisition of these sites by the city could start "very quickly after the City Council authorizes the bond issue."

The Road Block

Since Boston has about every sort of traffic tie-up known to the machine age, there is no staggering novelty in the charge made by the Greater Boston Development Committee that the central traffic artery and the second tube to East Boston are being held up by the failure of the city government to act on the $5,000,000 bond issue for off-street parking facilities.

Highways are a state job and at long last it has been recognized that highways run through cities as well as bosky dell and sylvan glades. Parking is a city job. Modern highways for Boston will do no good without modern parking facilities.

Normally the Boston city government will borrow money at the drop of a hat and seek more state largess like a corporate Oliver Twist. Here is a chance to do both at once and—for once—both will benefit the city. So why the delay?

Time for Action

NEW YORK CITY has a parking problem almost as bad as Boston's.

To solve it, Mayor O'Dwyer and a group of leading merchants and businessmen have proposed that every public park in the metropolis be converted immediately into an underground garage.

When are we going to have OUR GARAGE beneath Boston Common?

Who or what is obstructing it?

And why has the $5,000,000 loan order for off-street parking facilities been delayed in the City Council for more than a month?

The Governor and Legislature demonstrated commendable speed in giving Boston permission to clear its choked streets.

There is no reason why the gentlemen on School Street cannot be as alert and enterprising.

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The Mayor informed us that he is actively pushing for authorization by the City Council of the $5,000,000 bond issue. The Mayor has received the assurance of the President of the City Council that the order will go through second reading at the August 5th meeting, and is expected to be adopted at the August 19th meeting.

The Mayor agreed with us that these off-street parking facilities are not competitive with the projected garage under Boston Common.

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CITY OF BOSTON
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY HALL

MES M. CURLEY
Mayor

July 29, 1946.

Jay Benton, President,
Boston Mutual Life Insurance Co.,
100 Congress St.,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Friend:-

A meeting of the Mayor's Veterans Emergency Housing Committee has been called for Wednesday, July 31, 1946, at 1:00 P.M., at the Mayor's Office, School Street, Boston.

Kindly make every effort to be in attendance.

Sincerely,

James M. Curley

Mayor.

July 31, 1946

Mr. Karl E. Hayes
Guildhall, Vermont

Dear Karl:

Thanks no end for all you have done and are doing. I could not get along without you.

Glad you have ordered coal from Hurlbutt. I will get the wood when I get up there. I wrote to Myron Hopps about leaving ice and Marshall Bros. about milk. I wrote to Carlos Hodge about mowing the lawn and sent him some money. Pretty near set down here for the grand departure -- a few more meetings -- one with Mayor Curley at City Hall this noon.

I will be glad to get 200 miles away from business for a few weeks. See you at Whitefield at 1:34 P.M., Daylight Time, Sunday, August 4th.

Received specimen ballot. How do you think I would vote? Don't laugh this one off -- but keep in mind Carl Sandburg's old line -- "The hearse horses laugh when they drag a lawyer's bones."

Cheerfully yours,

Jay R. Benton

JRB:BCC

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New Views of Atomic Blast in Bikini





LIGHT CLOUD FORMS ABOVE SHIPS

Explodes

The first instant of the first underwater explosion of the atomic bomb at Bikini Atoll, in the Pacific, is captured by the camera in heretofore unpublished photo. A great luminous dome of water rises from sea's surface as blast wracks the lagoon. The area is still radioactive as result of test. *See left and right . . .*

JULY 25, 1946

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CLOUD VANISHES AS PILLAR OF WATER AND CHEMICALS RISE 5500 FEET

These Pictures
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Solid—A solid pillar of water rises above clouds at Bikini during atomic tests in July, 1946. The awe-inspiring sight is viewed by an International News cameraman as the waterspout rises 13,500 feet. Cascading water deluged nearby ships.

WELLS BINDERY
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Explosion at Bikini—